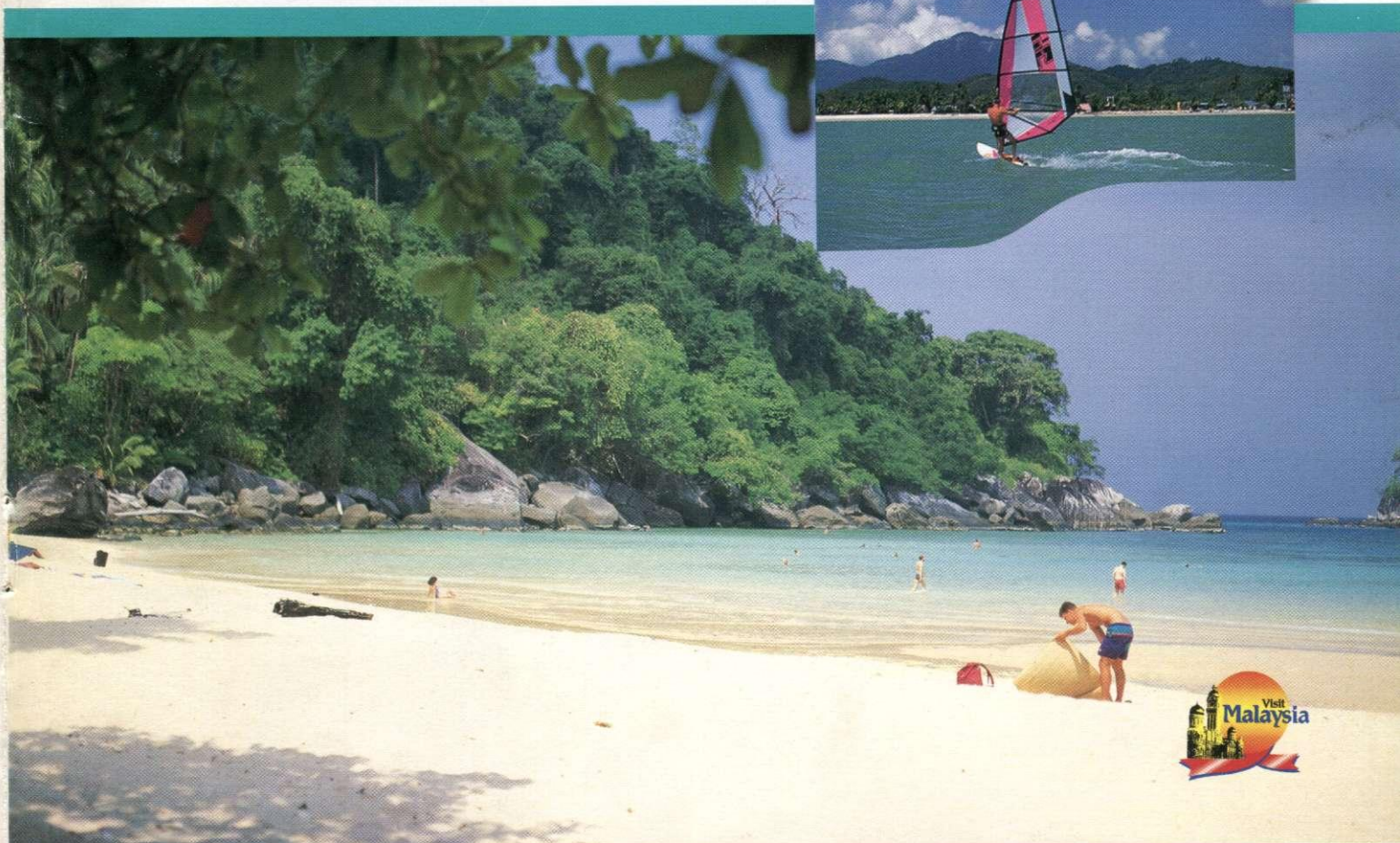
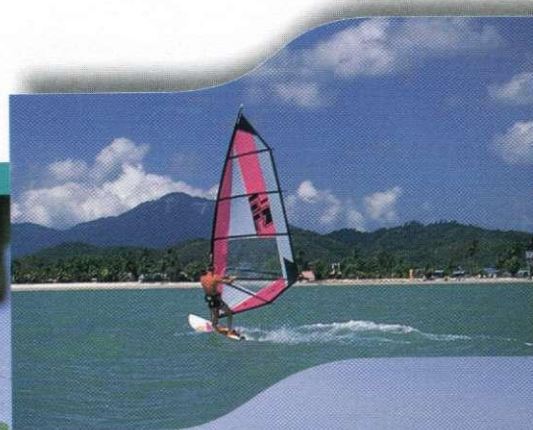
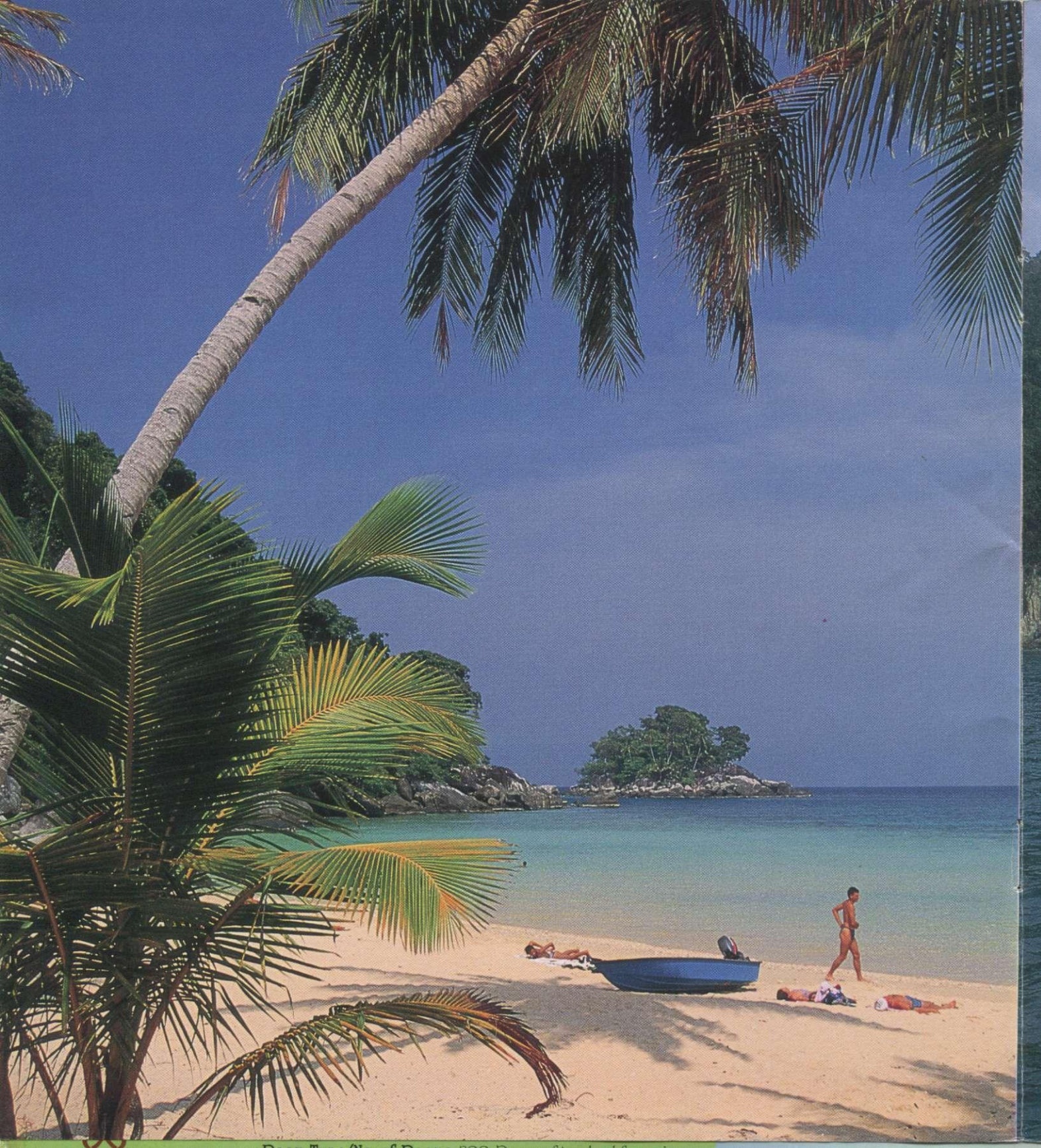




# MALAYSIA ISLANDS AND BEACHES









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Malaysia is a tropical paradise – a land of sunny smiles and warm hospitality, as warm and sunny as the sun that constantly shines in this land of perpetual summer. It is vibrantly alive with the colourful sights and fascinating sounds of its peoples as they go about their daily lives. And it pulsates with the excitement of an endless stream of festivities. There is always something to celebrate in Malaysia.

Situated in the very heart of South East Asia, Malaysia is accessible from the rest of the world by air and sea. The overland approach is through Thailand in the north and Singapore in the south of the peninsula. More than 30 major airlines service the major international airports of Kuala Lumpur, Penang, Johor Bahru, Kota Kinabalu and Kuching. Port Klang and Penang in the Straits of Malacca link the country to the rest of the world by sea.

# WELCOME TO MALAYSIA

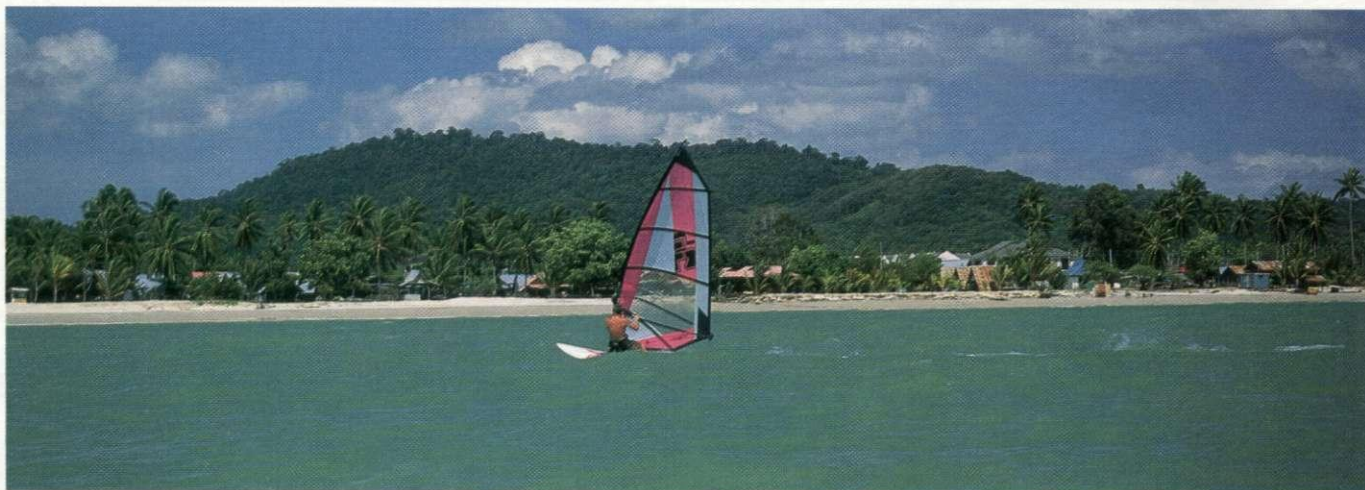
Travel within the country is relatively easy, comfortable and cheap. The major towns and cities are served by air-conditioned trains and buses and also by regular scheduled flights by the domestic carrier. There are also buses and taxis for intra-city excursions.

And to top it all is the lingering sense of our famous Malaysian hospitality...

The climate is characterised by temperatures ranging from 21°C to 32°C in the lowlands. This can however be as low as 16°C in the highlands. Rain falls throughout the year in quick heavy showers. The total annual rainfall averages around 200cm. The heaviest rainfall can be

expected from October to around March when the North East Monsoon brings strong winds and heavy rain to the east coast of Peninsular Malaysia.

There is so much to savour and experience in Malaysia. Cool hill resorts, nestling in the foothills of majestic mountains beckon from the faraway distance. Golden sandy beaches and emerald seas offer endless hours of fun and frolic. Remote coral islands offer a fascinating variety of marine life – Malaysia's very own treasure trove from the deep. In contrast, there is the dense tropical jungle with its thousand shades of green and the multitude of unique flora and fauna. The many races and cultures come together in a wonderful blend of colours and festivals. The endless variety of food makes the country a veritable gourmet's paradise.





Malaysia – land of endless summers and perpetual sunshine. The palm fringed shores edging clear blue seas beckon enticingly. In the distant mist shrouded hills behind cool green jungles, cast a soothing air of quiet serenity. Fishing villages enclosed within coconut groves along the coast, conjure up pictures of a quiet and idyllic lifestyle where the mood is tranquil and the

# ISLANDS AND BEACHES IN MALAYSIA

pace unhurried. Numerous fresh water lagoons, calm and undisturbed, invite moments of quiet introspection. Over the far horizon, the golden rays of sunrise in the early dawn bring promises of fun-filled days, while the soft warm glow of the leisurely fading light at sunset bathe the surroundings in glorious shades of golden amber, orange and red – lovely end to a heavenly day.





Miles upon miles of white sandy beaches, secluded bays and hidden coves offer endless possibilities for fun and frolic in the sun, sea and surf. There are so many things to see and do; so many adventures to pursue... so many mysteries to explore and so many hidden secrets to unravel. And ... at the end of it all, take time off to just sit back, relax or laze around on the warm sand, in the shade of the tall swaying palms... with the gentle breezes fanning your cheeks and the foaming waves bathing your feet. Let the sound of the surf washing the shore, the casuarinas whispering in the wind, the birds chirping in the trees, lull you to sleep.

Many little islands dot the coastline, sometimes in close knit clusters, sometimes solitary. The cool waters surrounding these picturesque islands support a fascinating variety of beautiful corals and other marine life within their depths. The glassy quality of these waters make these reefs in Malaysian waters ideal for snorkelling and scuba diving. The underwater treasures of Malaysia offer photographers endless hours of fascinating photography, and the divers equally fascinating hours of exploring the secrets of the deep.

Leave your worldly cares behind you... come to Malaysia's golden beaches and islands in the sun and let them ensnare you in their charms.

Most states in the country have beautiful beaches and remote islands to call their very own – each with their own unique attractions and charm.

**KEDAH** at the northern end of the Peninsula has the famous Pantai Merdeka although much of the attention has been taken by the legendary island of Langkawi, the main island in a group of 104 islands clustered in the north of the Malacca Straits, close to the Andaman Sea.

Further south is the island of **PENANG**, the Pearl of the Orient. Penang is a resort island in full bloom with its string of beach front international class hotels. There is however, a hidden side to it – the north west coastline has a number of beautiful beaches and secluded coves, accessible only by jungle trails and available only to the adventurous and energetic.

The state of **PERAK** has Teluk Batik at Lumut along the coast and the islands of Pangkor and Pangkor Laut in the Straits of Malacca. Both islands offer ample opportunities for seeking the pleasures of the sun, the sand and the sea in plush resorts or dictating your own pace in the camping sites.

The beaches at Morib in **SELANGOR** are relatively deserted and more popular as picnic spots for family outings or for long solitary walks. Offshore islands are more well known as centres of economic activity such as

Ketam Island which has fishing as its main activity; and Carey Island which supports the palm oil industry.

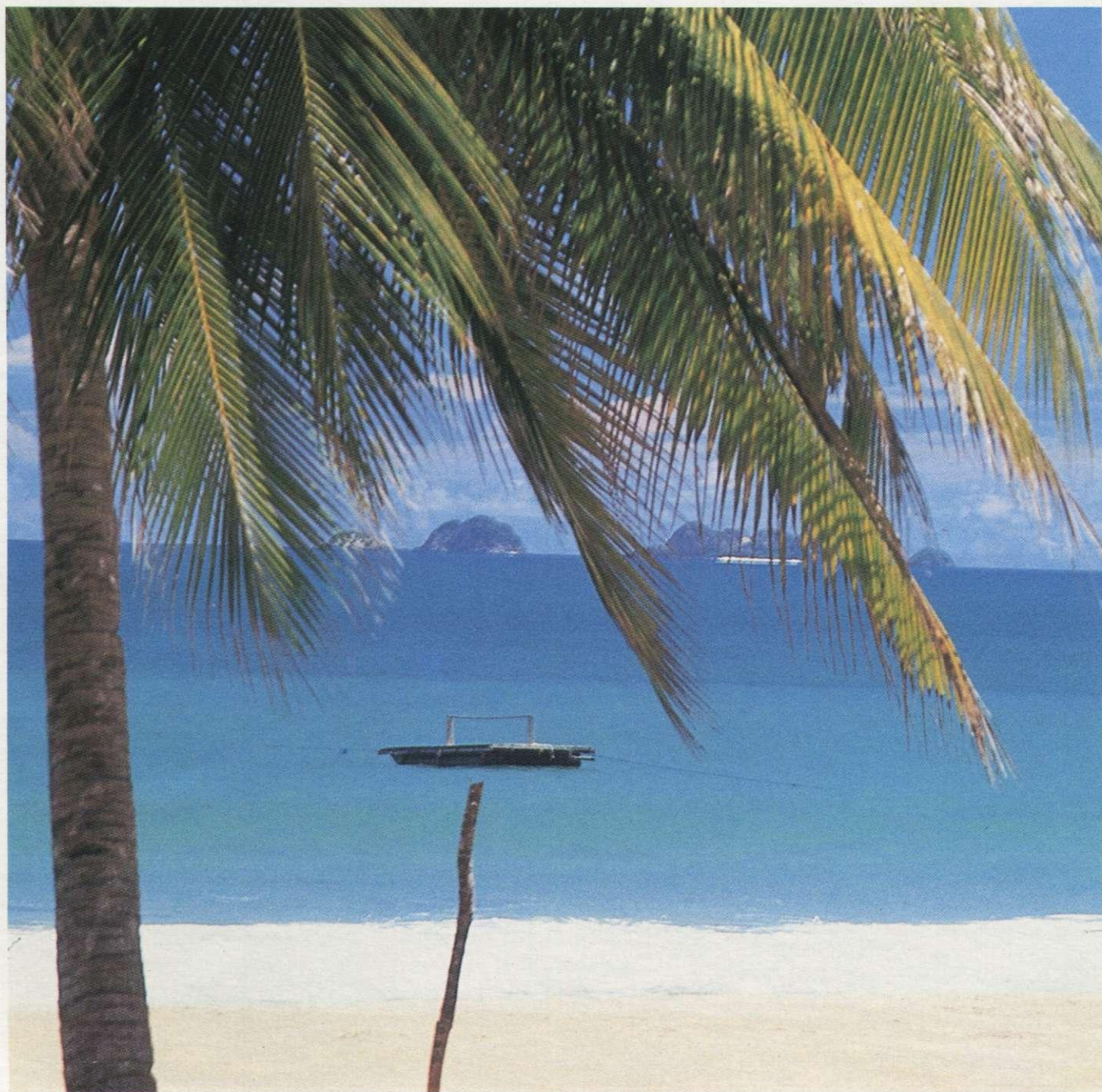
**NEGERI SEMBILAN**'s beaches at Port Dickson are popular weekend retreats for those seeking to escape the pressures of city life. The surrounding area is also of historical significance and visits to the various historical sites would prove illuminating.

**MALACCA**, the land of the bullock carts – once an important mode of transport, has three beautiful beaches to boast of. There is Tanjung Bidara, a relatively secluded cove with a fishing village nearby. Tanjung Kling is another popular beach frequented by locals and holiday seekers. Then there is the stretch of beach at Klebang Besar – a beautiful white stretch of soft sand and wonderfully deserted. Further out to sea is Besar Island, a resort in the making.

In **JOHOR**, the most beautiful beaches are found on the east coast – Teluk Mahkota and Tanjung Penawar. Offshore from Mersing are the beautiful paradise islands of Rawa Islands, Sibu Tengah Island, Sibu Besar Island, Tinggi Island, Aur Island and Besar Island. Mersing is also the take-off point for Tioman Island although technically the island belongs to the state of Pahang.

Besides Tioman Island, **PAHANG** also lays claim to some of the more beautiful beaches along the East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia, the notables ones







being Teluk Chempedak, Cherating, Chendor and Balok. A number of resorts have sprung up over the years along the coast and the famous Club Mediteranee is sited at Cherating. However, those who prefer to rough it out or those wishing to sample the delights of the true Malaysian Kampung can also find something catering to their needs.

In addition to having spectacular beaches like Chendering and Pantai Batu Buruk, **TERENGGANU** also has its fair share of lovely offshore islands, rich in secluded coves and unspoilt bays with some of nature's best kept secrets hidden in their depths. Of these,

Perhentian Island, Redang Island and Kapas Island are the best known.

**KELANTAN**, the northernmost state on the East Coast boasts of romantic beaches with lyrical names – Pantai Cahaya Bulan, Pantai Irama and Pantai Bisikan Bayu (Beach of the Whispering Breeze). Numerous picturesque fishing villages are also located close by.

**SABAH**, the east Malaysian state in the island of Borneo is also renowned for its beaches and numerous off-shore islands in the surrounding seas. These islands; Sipadan Island, the group of islands forming Tunku Abdul Rahman Park, and the Turtle Islands each have

their own share of unique attractions. The abundance and variety of marine life found in these waters also make the area the perfect retreat for those in search of the wonders of the deep.

**SARAWAK**, famed for its longhouses and magnificent caves, has long been a favourite destination for those in search of history, adventure... something different. Yet when all is said and done, when you have explored all there is to explore and done all the different things you've always wanted to do, what better way is there to unwind and relax than spending a brief spell at the beaches of Santubong.



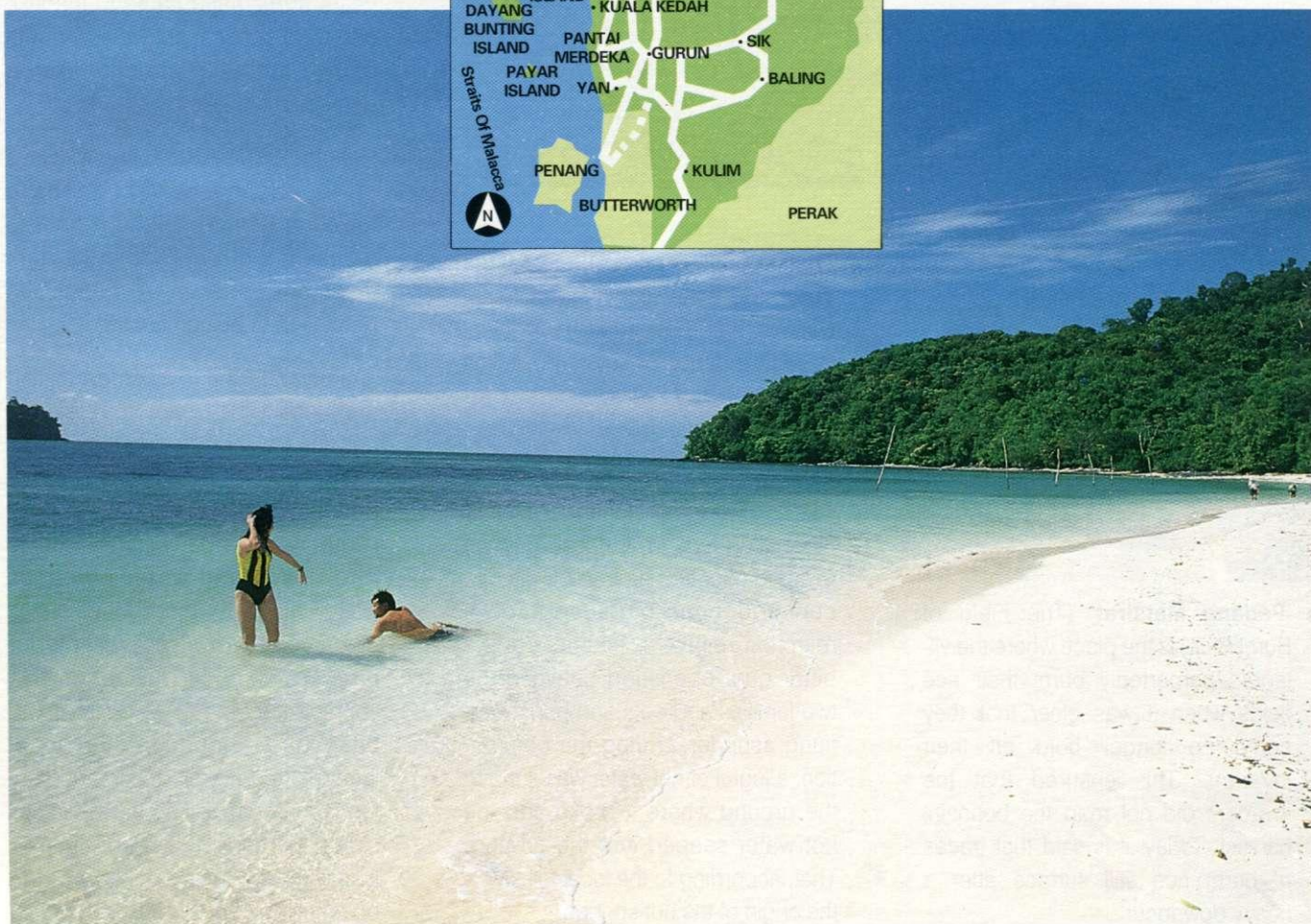


**LANGKAWI ISLAND**, the island of the legendary princess Mahsuri, is the main island of a group of 104 islands in the northern part of the Malacca Straits, close to the Andaman Sea. It is an island known for its natural beauty as well as for its enduring legends. The most well known legend is that of the beautiful Mahsuri, accused of a crime she did not commit. As the white blood of her innocence flowed out

## KEDAH Langkawi/Payar Islands/ Pantai Merdeka



of her dying body, Mahsuri laid a curse on the island – Langkawi would be bare and barren for seven generations. Soon after, the Siamese attacked the island and ravaged it. Seven generations have since come to pass and the island is blossoming again as a result of recent development projects aimed at making it one of the prime destinations within the region.





## Things To See And Do

There is much to see and do on this idyllic tropical paradise – an island of unspoilt natural beauty with sandy beaches, limestone hills and lush vegetation filled with an abundant variety of flora and fauna. Many places are worth visiting if one is so inclined. Most of these places are somehow tied up with the fascinating legends which abound on the island.



- **'Padang Matsirat'** (The Field of Burnt Rice) is the place where the villagers purportedly burnt their rice fields when it was clear that they could no longer hold off their invaders. This ensured that the invaders did not reap the bountiful harvest. Today, it is said that traces of burnt rice still surface after a heavy downpour



- Another famous attraction is **Telaga Tujuh** (Seven Wells) where a fresh-water stream cascades 91m down, through a series of seven pools – a most picturesque spot ideal for picnicking and bathing.
- **Telaga Air Panas** (Hot Springs) is said to owe its existence to another fascinating legend. In those days, a rejected offer of marriage brings dire consequences because such a rejection results in shame. Thus a bitter quarrel ensued between the two families and pots and pans were flung asunder. During the commotion, a jugful of hot water was flung to the ground where it broke and the hot water seeped into the ground. That, according to the local folks was the origin of the hot springs.

- Over at the island of **Tasik Dayang Bunting** (Lake of the Pregnant Maiden) is a tranquil lake of enchanting beauty. The cool green waters of the lake is pleasantly inviting. The lake however is more popular among childless couples who frequent it with the hope of being granted their dearest wish. According to a legend, a couple who remained childless after 19 years of marriage came to the lake and were subsequently blessed with a child after the wife had taken a drink from the lake.
- Near the lake is **Gua Langsir**, (Cave of the Banshee) a huge cave towering 91m in height. It houses thousands of bats within its dark awesome interior – hence its reputation of being haunted.
- The entire island is most fascinating and begs to be explored. Hire a car and take a drive around the island. The roads are good, the scenery beautiful – there are rustic Malay kampongs, rubber estates, scenic padi fields and water buffaloes wallowing in the mud! Motorcycles or bicycles are also available for hire. Take your pick and give yourself the time of your life. If you have had enough of the local legends and horror stories and your feet ache from visiting those famous sights, perhaps it is time to relax – bask in the sun, or comb the beaches at your own leisure.





- The island abounds with beautiful secluded beaches – just pick one to call your very own. There is **Pantai Tanjung Rhu**, **Pantai Tengah**, **Pantai Cenang** and **Pantai Pasir Hitam** – a beach literally covered with black sand; and **Pantai Batu Kerikil** which is strewn with pebbles. The other islands namely, **Beras Besar Island**, **Singa Island** and **Langgun Island** also offer endless hours of pleasure in the sun, the sand and the sea.

- The islands are ideal for such activities as snorkelling and scuba diving. Their crystal clear waters provide fascinating hours of exploring the mysteries of the deep.
- Facilities for boating, snorkelling, scuba diving, water skiing, wind surfing and para sailing are provided by some of the resort hotels dotting the island. There are also yachts and catamarans for

hire. Enquiries for these may be made at your hotel reception.

- The seas around the island are among the best fishing grounds within the area. Have a whale of a time at sea and come back with a bountiful catch for your dinner. Your hotel staff may be able to provide information or assist in arranging for fishing trips.



- Treat yourself to pony rides along the beach and relax with the rhythm of the slow trots as you leave all your cares behind.
- Trek along unknown jungle paths and admire the variety of flora and fauna of Langkawi's tropical forests.
- If you enjoy shopping, then Langkawi is the place for you. There is a wide variety of duty free items waiting to be snapped up for a song. These are among some of the things you can see or do on the mystical island of Langkawi. The list is endless...





## Where To Stay

There are a number of hotels in Langkawi offering a range of accommodation facilities to suit your budget and personal preferences. Rooms rates range from RM50 to RM350. Visitors are advised to check with the hotels or your travel agent for the current rates and additional information.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Hotel Langkasuka Batu 3/4, A-14-15, Pokok Asam Kuah, 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9666828 Fax: 04-9666882	44 rooms
Aseana Seaview Resort Simpang Tiga, Jalan Pantai Tengah 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9552020 Fax: 04-9551550	101 rooms
Langkawi Hotel Jln Persiaran Putra, 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9666248	22 rooms
Berjaya Langkawi Beach Resort P. O. Box 200 Teluk Burau 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9591888 Fax: 04-9591886	400 rooms

Raddissons Langkawi Tg. Rhu Tanjung Rhu, Mukim Air Hangat 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9591091 Fax: 04-9591211	134 rooms
Hotel Grand Continental Lot 398, Mukim Kuah Kelibang, 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9660333 Fax: 04-9660288	198 rooms
Langkawi Island Resort Jln Pantai Dato' Syed Omar 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9666209 Fax: 04-9666414	206 rooms
Hotel Central Langkawi 33 Persiaran Putra, Kuah 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9668585 Fax: 04-9663785	154 rooms
Pelangi Beach Resort Jln. Pantai Cenang 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551001 Fax: 04-9551122	350 rooms
Langkawi Village Resort Jln. Telok Baru, Pantai Tengah Kedawang, 07100 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551511 Fax: 04-9551531	100 rooms
Semarak Langkawi Beach Resort, Pantai Cenang 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551377 Fax: 04-9551599	26 rooms

Langkawi Seaview Hotel Lot 40, Jalan Penarak Jln. Penarak, Kuah 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9660600 Fax: 04-9660600	143 rooms
Sunset Beach Resort Pantai Tengah, Tanjung Mali Mukim Kedawang 07100 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551751 Fax: 04-9551751	24 rooms
Nadia's Inn Langkawi Lot 977, Pantai Cenang Mukim Kedawang 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551401 Fax: 04-9551405	96 rooms
Country Beach Motel Pantai Kok Mukim Padang Matsirat 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-911212 Fax: 04-911066	27 rooms
Sheraton Langkawi Resort Teluk Nibong 07100 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551901 Fax: 04-9551968	264 rooms
Langkawi Holiday Villa Lot 1698, Pantai Tengah Mukim Kedawang 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551701 Fax: 04-9551504	250 rooms
Sandy Beach Motel Resort Pantai Cenang, Kedawang 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9551308 Fax: 04-9551762	36 rooms
Langkawi Chalet No 1A, Kpg Penarak, Kuah 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9667993	50 rooms
Sri Lagenda Garden Resort Jalan Penarak, Kuah 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9668918 Fax: 04-9668980	250 rooms
The Datai Jalan Teluk Datai, 07000 P. Langkawi Tel: 04-9552500 Fax: 04-9552600	108 rooms





De Lima Resort 1491 rooms  
Pantai Tengah, Kuala Muda  
07000 P. Langkawi  
Tel: 04-9551801 Fax: 04-9551811

Region Hotel 72 rooms  
Kuah, 07000 P. Langkawi  
Tel: 04-9667719 Fax: 04-9660468

Sunrise Island Resort 53 rooms  
Lot 525, Mukim Kelibang  
07000 P. Langkawi  
Tel: 04-9660003 Fax: 04-9660054

Bureau Bay Resort 150 rooms  
07000 P. Langkawi  
Tel: 04-9551062 Fax: 04-9551172

## How To Get There

### By Air

You can get to Langkawi by air. MAS operates flights from Kuala Lumpur and Penang to Langkawi.

### By Ferry

Ferries offer regular services from Kuala Kedah and Kuala Perlis on the mainland. The trip from Kuala Kedah takes about one hour and costs RM13.00 per person. From Kuala Perlis, it takes about 45 minutes and costs RM10.00 per person.

From Kuala Lumpur, it is also possible to get to Alor Setar by road or by rail. From Alor Setar proceed to Kuala Kedah or Kuala Perlis by bus or taxi to board the ferry to Langkawi.

### By Air

**PAYAR ISLAND**, about 1 hour by boat from Kuala Kedah deserves special mention. This little island forms part of





the four island group gazetted as Marine Parks. Its waters support a multitude of colourful marine life in its soft coral gardens.

### Things To See and Do

- South of the island, not too far off-shore lies a breathtakingly beautiful coral garden. It has the reputation of supporting the largest number of coral species in the country. The crystal clear waters make it ideal for swimming, snorkelling, scuba diving and underwater photography.
- Enjoy quiet picnics on the beach where picnic tables and bathroom facilities have been thoughtfully provided for visitors.
- No accommodation is available on the island. Visitors however have the



option of camping in the great outdoors although it is necessary to obtain prior permission from the Fisheries Department at Alor Setar or Kuala Lumpur.

The establishment of Marine Parks was conceived as a means of preserving and protecting areas of natural beauty from the impact of development. Another important objective is the upgrading and preservation of the natural habitat of endangered species of aquatic life.

Specific zones have thus been earmarked for research and educational activities as well as for recreation.

Whilst every effort has been made to enable visitors to enjoy this gift of nature, the Fisheries Act of 1985 prohibits the following:

- Anchoring of boats over coral areas
- Water skiing
- Speed boat racing
- Spear fishing
- Fishing
- Carrying and using weapons that endanger aquatic life
- Collection of corals and other aquatic life
- Littering
- Lighting fires on the beach

For further information, kindly contact:

Fisheries Management &  
Protection Branch  
Fisheries Department, Wisma Tani  
Jalan Mahameru  
50628 Kuala Lumpur  
Tel: 03-2982011  
or

Fisheries Department  
Wisma Persekutuan  
Jalan Kampong Baru  
05000 Alor Setar, Kedah  
Tel: 04-725573 / 729979

### How To Get There

A number of operators organise cruises or dive tours to these island and it might be more convenient to join one of these. The tour price usually includes rental of equipment and the services of professional guides in addition to accommodation, meals and transportation. There is also the added advantage of knowing yourself to be in the hands of people who are knowledgeable about the area and the various dive spots.

Over on the mainland, Kedah is also endowed with a beautiful 1km stretch of white sandy beach known as **PANTAI MERDEKA**, approximately 60km south of Alor Setar. This enchanting beach is shaded by tall swaying palms, under which one may spend leisurely hours – picnicking or just lazing the hours away. Water skiing and sailing are also popular along this stretch of coastal waters.

### Where To Stay

There are 3 chalets providing basic accommodation facilities. Cooking







facilities are not available and visitors are advised to bring their own food. However there is a canteen which serves simple fare.

For further information or reservations, please contact:

Kuala Muda District Office  
08000 Sg. Petani  
Kedah Darul Aman  
Tel: 04-411963

## How To Get There

### By Bus

From Alor Setar, take the bus to Sungai Petani. Then board another bus for Kota. At Kota, take another bus to Pantai Merdeka.

Fare (one way):

Sungai Petani – Kota  
RM1.00 per person  
Kota - Pantai Merdeka  
RM0.70 per person

### By Taxi

From Alor Setar take a taxi to Sungai Petani and from there proceed to Pantai Merdeka by bus or taxi. Alternatively charter a taxi from Alor Setar to Pantai Merdeka.

The cost for chartering a taxi from Alor Setar to Pantai Merdeka is RM28.00.

For further information, please contact:



MTPB (Langkawi Office)  
Jalan Persiaran Putra  
07000 Langkawi  
Kedah Darul Aman  
Tel: 04-9667789  
Fax: 04-9667889

Tourism Unit  
Kedah Darulaman State Secretariat  
Wisma Darulaman  
05503 Alor Setar  
Tel: 04-7301957  
Fax: 04-7310467

Langkawi District Office  
Kuah, 07000 Langkawi  
Kedah Darul Aman  
Tel: 04-9666963

MTPB (Northern Region)  
No. 10, Jalan Tun Syed  
Sheh Barakbah  
10200 Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-2619067, 2620066  
Fax: 04-2623688

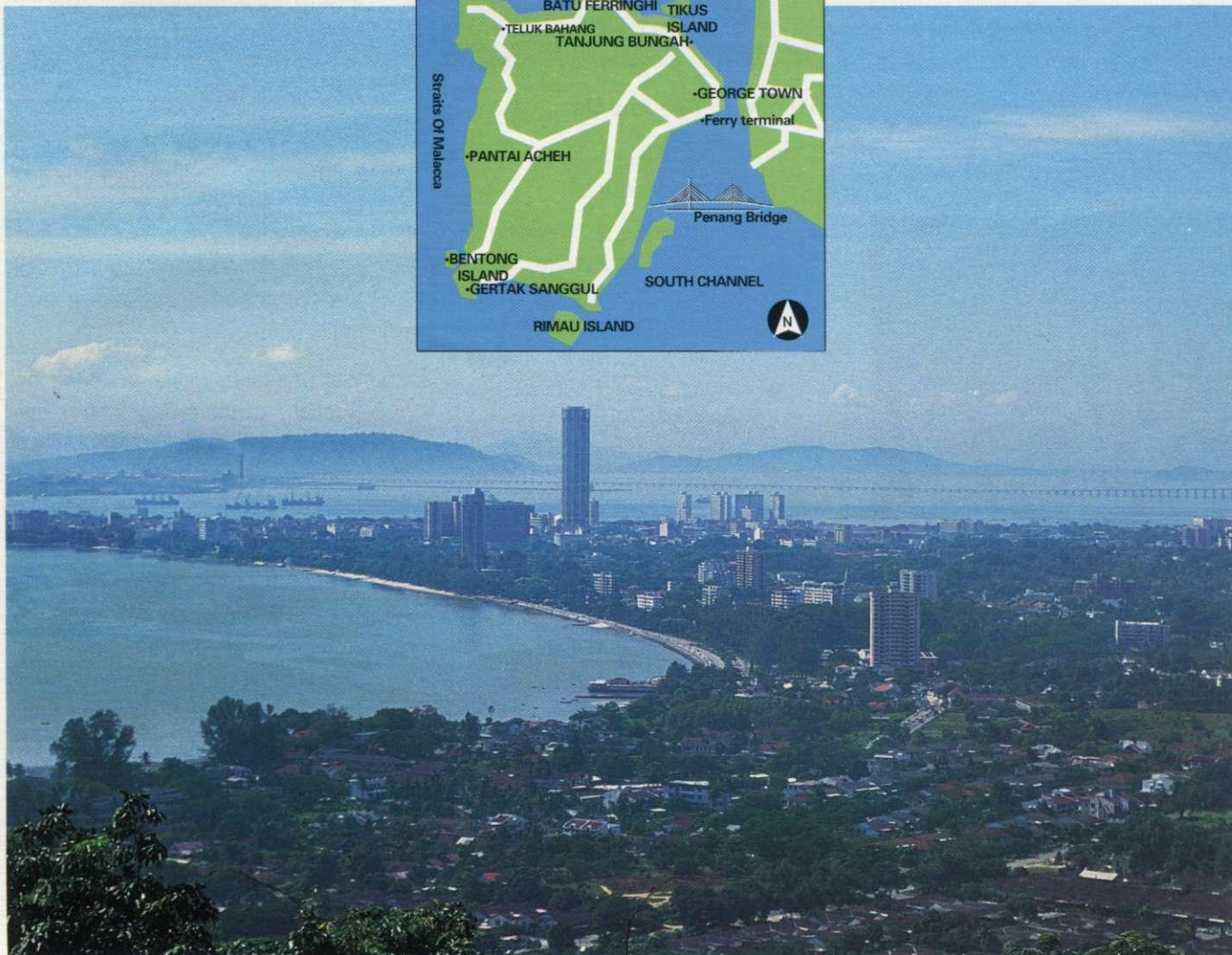
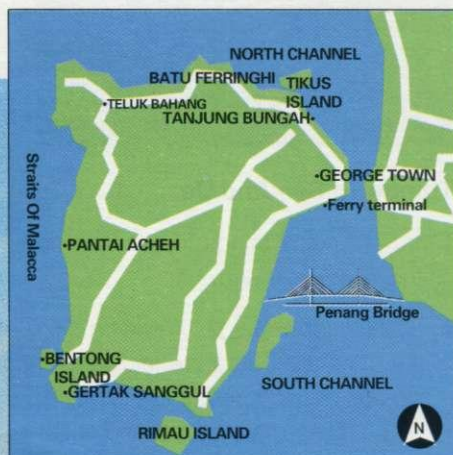


Approximately 112km south of Langkawi, lies the island of **PENANG** the 'Pearl of the Orient'. When first discovered by Captain Francis Light in 1786, the island was filled with lush tropical vegetation. The betel nut palm was a common sight all over the island – a fact which gave rise

## PENANG

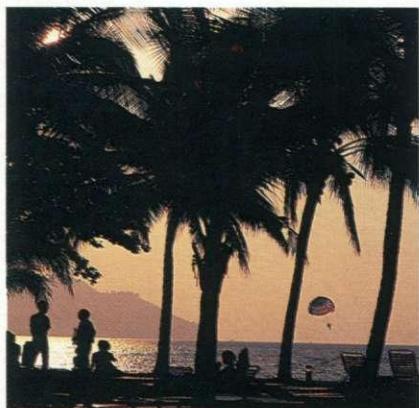
### Batu Ferringhi Beach/ Tanjung Bungah/ Teluk Bahang

to the name **Pulau Pinang** (Island of the Betel Nut). Penang has come a long way from its early beginnings as the first British trading post in the Far East. Its capital, **Georgetown** is a bustling metropolitan city with a unique blend of East and West.





By contrast, the famous beaches of Penang – **TANJUNG BUNGAH**, **BATU FERRINGHI** and **TELUK BAHANG** offer all the scenic delights of a tropical island paradise – stretches of golden sandy beaches, clear blue seas and tiny secluded coves enclosed by clusters of rocks. Penang is a resort island in full bloom with numerous hotels of international standard fronting the sea along the beaches on its northern coastlines. The range of facilities and amenities available here makes it an ideal playground for worshippers of the sun and the sea.



But there is another side of Penang that still remains to be discovered. Along the north-western coastline are some of the finest beaches on the island. Imagine a sparkling sea, powdery white sand, sunlight filtering through coconut groves – the scene of perfect tranquillity. These beaches remain as Penang's best kept secrets because they are relatively inaccessible except by hiking through jungle trails. The rewards would make the effort really worthwhile.



### Things To See And Do

There are many things to see and do on this beautiful island.

- Spend happy days of fun and frolic on the beaches. There are facilities for various aquatic sports like boating, wind-surfing, para-sailing and water skiing. Swim to your heart's content in the warm blue sea. Comb the beach for miles on end or just find your favourite spot and idle away the hours, with the music of the waves and the whispering breeze in your ears.
- The uninhabited islands of **Bidan Island**, **Telur Island** and **Song Song Island** off Batu Ferringhi are also worth visiting. The crystal clear waters of these coral islands are ideal for swimming, snorkelling, scuba diving and fishing. Or just bask in the warmth of the sun. Arrangements for tours to these islands may be made through the various hotels.
- Don't leave Penang without taking some of its famous sights. For a start

there are the magnificent temples.

**The Snake Temple**, built in 1850 was dedicated to a Buddhist priest **Chor Soo Kong**, believed to have possessed incredible healing powers. According to local folklore, on the night of its completion, snakes crawled out of the jungle and inhabited the temple. The snakes are still there today, and visitors can have their pictures taken with vipers coiled around their necks or shoulders.

- The **Kek Lok Si** at Air Itam is reputed to be the most beautiful and largest temple in South East Asia. The seven-storey pagoda, 30m in height is a mixture of Chinese, Thai and Burmese architecture and craftsmanship.
- **Wat Chayamangkalaram** at Lorong Burmah, a Buddhist temple of Thai architecture houses the world's third largest reclining Buddha. It measures 33 metres long.
- Another temple worth visiting is the **Sri Mariamman Temple** built in 1883. The temple houses numerous statues of Hindu deities, the most priceless being the statue of **Lord Subramaniam** richly embellished with gold, silver, diamonds and emeralds.
- **The Temple of the Goddess of Mercy** at Jalan Masjid Kapitan Kling, is the oldest temple in Penang. Said to have been built in 1800, it is a classic example of old Chinese architecture.



- Another remarkable architectural masterpiece is the **Khoo Kongsi** (Temple of the Khoo Clan) at Lebuah Cannon. It is a magnificent building with intricate carvings, rich ornamentation and liberal use of gold leaf. The finest craftsmen in China were reportedly brought over, to carve figures on the exterior.
- Most of these temples are open from morning till evening but it is usually advisable to seek the permission of temple authorities before entering.
- The **Kapitan Kling** mosque at Jalan Masjid Kapitan Kling, built in the early nineteenth century by an Indian Muslim merchant, is a fine example of Islamic architecture of Moorish influence.



- If you are into history, then the **Penang Museum** is a must in your itinerary. Built in 1821, it was originally used as a school. The museum houses a fine collection of old photographs, maps, charts and other historical relics of Penang's historical past.



Opening hours are from 9am to 5pm daily. On Friday it closes at 12.15pm and opens again at 2.45pm to 5pm. Admission is free.

- **Fort Cornwallis**, built on the site where Light first landed has a fascinating history. The 200-year old fort was originally built of wood and in its heyday acted as a station for the British Royal Artillery. Convict labour was later utilised to reconstruct it in brick and stone. Today, one of the brass cannons at the fort has become an object of reverence and local women can sometimes be seen placing flowers around it. The belief is that barren women would be able to conceive if they lay flowers in its barrel and offer special prayers.

- Nature lovers would also find much to fascinate them on the island.
- There is the **Botanical Gardens**, created by the British in 1884 as a tribute to Charles Curtis, its first superintendent who collected botanical specimens extensively from the surrounding hills and jungles. These have since become the most significant samples in major herbariums all over the world.

The 30-hectare garden offers tranquillity amidst lush green surroundings of tropical plants and the vibrant colours of Penang's native flora. The sound of the cascading waterfalls evoke a soothing and restful ambience. Monkeys often



roam freely around the park, clamouring to be fed.

Opening hours are from 7am to 7pm. Admission is free.

- The **Penang Bird Park** spans a 5-acre site in Seberang Jaya. Over 200 species of birds from around the world are housed in specially constructed aviaries. Man-made islands, land-sculped gardens and ornamental plants provide a near natural habitat for these exotic species. The wide variety of orchids and hibiscus plants are worthy of closer inspection.

The park is open daily from 9am to 7pm. Entrance fee is RM3.00 for adults and RM1.00 for children.

- Another must for nature lovers is the **Butterfly Farm** at Teluk Bahang. It is the world's first tropical live butterfly exhibition, and houses over 150 species of butterflies and local insects in their natural habitat. A lily pond, artificial waterfalls and a rock garden enhance the beauty of the surroundings. The farm also serves as a breeding area and there are about 4,000 to 5,000 live butterflies at any one time. A souvenir shop and information centre are provided for visitors.

Opening hours are from 9am to 5pm on weekdays and 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays. Admission charges are RM4.00 for adults and RM2.00 for children.





- The **Forest Recreation Park at Telok Bahang** provides evidence of Penang's rich flora and fauna affording visitors an insight into the legacy of Mother Nature. Jungle tracks lead to the heart of the forest with camping sites along the way. Pick your way through the shady trails and observe nature's heritage at close quarters. The forest abounds with countless varieties of flowering plants and ferns and numerous species of insects, birds, butterflies, snakes and lizards. A forestry museum provides interesting information about Malaysia's forests.



- Further away, off the beaten tracks, in the north-western part of the island is the **Pantai Acheh Forest Reserve** covering 2,000 hectares of lush tropical vegetation. In this hilly terrain, are a number of criss-crossing trails leading to some of Penang's very beautiful and

secluded beaches of fine sand and sparkling crystal clear waters.

- The trails are clearly marked and it is a fairly easy hike along the gentle coastal slopes. From Teluk Bahang it takes about an hour to reach the legendary tranquil shores of **Teluk Duyung**. Further west is the lighthouse at **Muka Head** and the famous **Monkey Beach**. **Pantai Keracut** consists of a beach of fine sand and a beautiful park which would delight any botany enthusiast. Another path leads to **Pantai Mas** – another magnificent sandy beach fringing the emerald sea.
- A trek through the interior offers nature lovers the thrill of seeing rare hill forest shrubs and creepers, monkeys chattering in the trees, sea eagles surveying their prey. The forest is alive with the sounds of birds and crickets and you might catch a glimpse of the Hawksbill turtle heading for the sea.
- At the end of it all, awaits the luxury of swimming in the cool waters of



secluded coves and inlets or just lying on the soft sand. The underwater depths reveal a colourful world of corals, shells and other marine life.

- Some hotels organise early morning treks past jungles, streams and waterfalls. Food packs are usually provided. Check with your hotel for the time and prices.
- Shopping in Penang can be a delightful experience. In the great tradition of its past as a trading post, the Penang of today caters for a variety of taste, pleasing even the most discerning of shoppers. Browse around the shops in modern air conditioned comfort at **Penang Road, Lebuh Campbell, Jalan Masjid Kapitan Kling, Lebuh Chulia** and **Lebuh Pantai** and at KOMTAR, the multi-storey office and shopping complex. If you prefer something with local flavour, there is the **Chowrasta Market**, a typical bazaar for local goods. Most shops are open from 9am to 9pm. At the big stores, prices are usually fixed but those at smaller shops are negotiable. Bargaining is a way of life even now, so do not be afraid of asking for discounts.
- Duty-free items such as cameras, watches, lighters, pens, cosmetics and electronic goods are among the cheapest within the region. Penang also offers a variety of local goods





and handicraft items, the most popular being Batik – the traditional Malaysian fabric prized for its bold prints and vibrant colours. It is also a haven for antique lovers in search of rare bargains.

- For a spot of relaxation, take a ride up **Penang Hill** on the Swiss-built funicular railway. Alighting at the peak, you notice at once the invigoratingly fresh air and the heady scent of flowers from the profusely

blooming gardens of vivid hues. Stroll around the paths and enjoy the magnificent views of the island below.

- The city itself opens up opportunities for amazing discoveries. Explore the city on foot and discover the magic and charms of narrow side-streets steeped in the history of days gone by. Or tour the city at leisure on trishaws – a cheap way of taking in the city sights at your own pace.
- Eating out in Penang can be a truly fulfilling experience – an experience

not to be missed. There are many restaurants and hawker stalls in the city and along the coast offering a wide variety of local fare – Malay, Chinese and Indian cuisine. Try '**Asam Laksa**' (rich noodles in spicy sourish fish gravy), '**Penang Rojak**' (the local version of Salad) or '**Char Kway Tiau**' (fried noodles with fresh prawns and cockles). The seafood dishes are something out of the ordinary too! If however you suddenly yearn for something from back home, one of the many restaurants around is sure to have something just for you.





Penang promises the visitor all these and much more to make your holiday a truly memorable one.

## Where To Stay

There are many hotels in the city and along the beaches offering varied accommodation facilities to suit your lifestyle and budget. Visitors are advised to check with the hotels or your travel agent for the current rates and additional information.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Casuarina Beach Hotel Batu Ferringhi 11000 Penang Tel: 04-811711 Fax: 04-811389	180 rooms
Ferringhi Beach Hotel Batu Ferringhi Road 11100 Penang Tel: 04-8905999 Fax: 04-8905100	349 rooms
Golden Sands Resort Batu Ferringhi Beach 11000 Penang Tel: 04-811911 Fax: 04-811880	395 rooms
Holiday Inn, Penang Batu Ferringhi Beach 11100 Penang Tel: 04-811601/811611 Fax: 04-811389	155 rooms
Lone Pine Hotel 97, Batu Ferringhi 11000 Penang Tel: 04-811511/811512 Fax: 04-811282	54 rooms

The Bayview Pacific Beach Resort Batu Ferringhi Beach 11000 Penang Tel: 04-812123 Fax: 04-812140	420 rooms
Novotel Hotel Tanjung Bungah 11200 Penang Tel: 04-8903333	319 rooms
Palm Beach Hotel 105A, Batu Ferringhi 11100 Penang Tel: 04-811621 Fax: 04-811051	140 rooms
Rasa Sayang Hotel Batu Ferringhi Pulau Pinang Tel: 04-8811811 Fax: 04-8811180	514 rooms
Penang Mutiara Beach Resort Jalan Teluk Bahang 11050 Penang Tel: 04-8852828 Fax: 04-812829	440 rooms
Hotel Equatorial No 1, Jalan Bukit Jambal 11900 Penang Tel: 04-838111 / 892256 Fax: 04-848000	413 rooms
City Bayview Hotel 25-A, Farquhar Street 10200 Penang Tel: 04-633161 Fax: 04-634124	160 rooms

Eastern & Oriental Hotel 10, Farquhar Street 10200 Penang Tel: 04-630630 Fax: 04-634833	100 rooms
The Merlin Penang 3, Jalan Larut 10050 Penang Tel: 04-376166 Fax: 04-376615	279 rooms
Malaysia Hotel 7, Penang Road 10000 Penang Tel: 04-633311 Fax: 04-631621	126 rooms
Ming Court Inn Penang 202A, Macalister Road Georgetown 10400 Penang Tel: 04-368588 Fax: 04-367257	100 rooms
Oriental Hotel 105, Penang Road 10000 Penang Tel: 04-634211 Fax: 04-635395	100 rooms
Shangri-La Hotel Jalan Magazine 10300 Penang Tel: 04-622622 Fax: 04-626526	447 rooms

## How To Get There

### By Air

Penang is easily accessible by air with daily flights from major capitals of the region. It has direct links with Singapore, Bangkok, Haadyai, Phuket,





Medan, Hong Kong, Taipei and Madras operated by Malaysia Airlines. The airline also operates about 16 daily flights between Kuala Lumpur and Penang.

The Bayan Lepas International Airport is about 20km from the city centre. Taxis plying the route follow the coupon system by which fares between the airport and various destinations in Penang are fixed. Passengers pay the fare at the taxi booth in exchange for the coupon which they then produce to the driver.

Air conditioned taxis and limousines charge slightly higher fares.

### **By Road**

The opening of the Penang Bridge linking the mainland of Peninsular Malaysia to Penang Island has

facilitated driving to Penang. A charge of RM7.00 is levied on all classes of cars at the toll plaza, in Prai on the mainland. No payment is required for travelling from the island to the mainland. From KL to Penang, travel by the North-South Highway.

### **By Ferry**

From Butterworth, it is necessary to take the ferry to Penang Island. The ferry service is available around the clock for both passengers and vehicles. Tickets are purchased at the Butterworth terminal.

Fares:

Adult	-	RM0.40
Children	-	RM0.20

### **By Rail**

The journey from Kuala Lumpur to Butterworth takes approximately 6

hours. First and second class passengers travel in comfort in the air-conditioned coaches. Taking the train is a comfortable way to travel within the country and it affords one the opportunity to see a lot of the countryside.

For further information, please contact:

#### **MTPB (Northern Region)**

No. 10 Jalan Tun Syed Sheh  
Barakbah  
10200 Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-2620066 / 2619067  
Fax: 04-2623688

#### **Penang Development Corporation**

No 1, Persiaran Mahsuri  
Bandar Bayan Baru  
11909 Bayan Lepas  
Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-832111  
Fax: 04-832405

#### **Penang Tourist Association**

Ground Floor, PPC Building  
Pesara King Edwards  
10200 Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-2616663

#### **Tourist Information Centre**

3rd Floor, KOMTAR  
10000 Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-2614461

#### **MTPB Information Counter**

Bayan Lepas Airport  
10200 Pulau Pinang  
Tel: 04-830501



Approximately 84km south of Ipoh is the quiet coastal town of **LUMUT**. Once a relatively unknown fishing town it has since acquired the proud distinction of being the home base of the Royal

## PERAK

### Pangkor Island/Lumut

Malaysian Navy and the take-off point for the beautiful offshore islands in the Straits of Malacca. Amidst all the bustle of development taking place around it, the town still retains its quiet charm.





## Things To See And Do

- Listed among its attractions are a park and a public garden. A clock tower occupies an open space opposite the jetty for ferry boats to the islands. Some of these quaint boats are actually fishing trawlers, given a new coat of paint and a new identity.



- Lumut is also known for its lovely shell and coral handicraft – a must for souvenir hunters.



- The famous '**Pesta Laut**' (sea festival) held between the months of August or September is an event celebrated by seaport competitions, cultural shows and funfairs. Join in



the fun and revelry and see Lumut come alive in this annual event.

- Linger awhile on the beautiful palm fringed shores of Teluk Batik, located approximately 6km from the town of Lumut. This stretch of beach is a favourite haunt for campers, picnickers and sun worshippers. The sparkling blue sea is enticingly warm and ideal for swimming. Canoeing is another favourite sport along this stretch of coastal waters.

## Where To Stay

There is a variety of accommodation to choose – ranging from a resort hotel in Lumut to the more modest chalets and spartan cottages and campsites on the beach.

Some of these hotels are:

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
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The Orient Star Lumut Lot. 203 & 366, Jalan Iskandar Shah 32200 Lumut, Perak Tel: 05-934199 Fax: 05-934323	150 rooms
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Manjung Permai	48 rooms
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Lot. 211-213  
Jalan Iskandar Shah  
32200 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-934934  
05-935936  
Fax: 05-934937

Lumut Villa Inn	42 rooms
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Jalan Titi Panjang  
32200 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-934934  
Fax: 05-934937

Teluk Batik Chalet	10 rooms
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32200 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-935544

Mini Chalet	9 rooms
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3200 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-935554

Lumut Country Resort	44 rooms
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331, Jalan Titi Panjang  
32200 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-935109  
Fax: 05-935396

Phin Lum Hooi Hotel	10 rooms
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93, Jalan Titi Panjang  
32000 Lumut, Perak  
Tel: 05-935641



## How To Get There

There are many ways to reach Lumut, the jump off point for Pangkor. A taxi or coach journey from Kuala Lumpur takes about three to four hours and from Butterworth (Penang) takes about two to three hours. Once in Lumut, can catch the ferry to Pangkor island, a comfortable 45 minutes-long sea voyage.

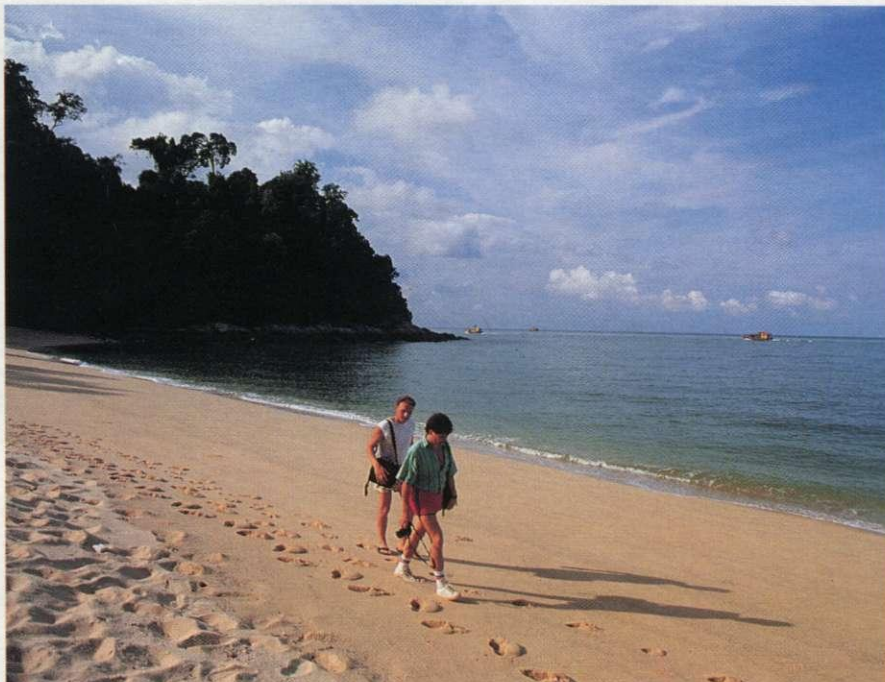
### By Bus/Taxi

Regular bus and taxi services are available from all major towns to Lumut.

### By Rail

Keretapi Tanah Melayu (Malayan Railways) operates daily services from Kuala Lumpur and Butterworth, with a stop over at Ipoh. Departure and arrival times on the regular express line are as follows:

The main island of **PANGKOR** is mainly populated by fisherfolk who occupy the eastern coastline. The island is famous for its 'ikan bilis' (anchovies) and squids. The real attraction here however are the enchanting beaches on the western coastline **Pantai Puteri Dewi, Teluk Belanga, Teluk Nipah** and **Pasir Bogak**. Among these, the quiet coves and untrodden bays at **Tortoise Bay, Teluk Nipah** and **Teluk Cempedak** are marvellous for swimming or just basking in the sun, in complete privacy amidst tranquil surroundings.



Express Kuala Lumpur to Ipoh			
LINE	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FARES
Express Sinaran Pagi	7.25am	10.40am	1st Class (Air-Cond) – RM40.00
Express Rakyat	2.25pm	6.03pm	
Langkawi Express	8.00pm	11.49pm	2nd Class (Air-Cond) – RM22.00
Express Butterworth to Ipoh			
LINE	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FARES
Express Rakyat	7.30am	10.33am	1st Class (Air-Cond) – RM36.00
Ordinary Mail	8.45am	12.43pm	
Express Sinaran Petang	2.50pm	5.25pm	2nd Class (Air-Cond) – RM21.00

*Note: Schedule subject to changes*



## Things To See and Do

Amidst such beauty and tranquillity, one tends to suddenly feel relaxed and lethargic – too lazy for any kind of activity. However, when there is so much to see and do, it is soon time to get up and go.

- One of the best way to see the island is to go on a round island trip by taxi. The trip costs approximately RM25.00 –RM30.00. As you travel around the coastal roads, you will see quaint Malay villages with wooden houses on stilts under the



shade of coconut trees. Now and then, you'll catch glimpses of the white sand and the shimmering blue sea. In the forests, you may chance upon the shy deer or playful monkeys darting among the branches.

- Stop at **Pangkor**, the little picturesque town of narrow streets and corner coffee shops. The Nyonya marble topped tables



and antique clocks gracing the walls contribute to its old world charm.

- Take a leisurely stroll to the port and watch the fishing boats return with their fresh catch. See how the fish are packed in ice before being dispatched to the mainland.
- Wander off to the fishing villages and see how the fishermen pull in their nets from the sea, nets filled with wriggling fish, the bountiful harvest from the deep. Join their happy laughter, listen to their happy songs – be a part of it all!
- For a bit of history, visit the old Dutch Fort at **Teluk Gedung**. Built in 1670, it was used for storing tin and was one of the Dutch strongholds against pirates and local Malays. Today, only the stone foundations

remain to remind us of the power they once exercised over the area.

- If your main interest is the sea and water-based activities, then take your pick from the many beautiful beaches around. **Pantai Puteri Dewi** (Beach of the Lovely Princess) is a lovely stretch of beach of fine white sand and shimmering blue sea, on the fringes of lush green tropical forests. A resort in this curving wide bay provides ample accommodation in an elegant cosmopolitan setting.
- **Pasir Bogak** is the largest and most popular beach on the island. The beach is crescent shaped and numerous shady trees provide idyllic picnic spots under the canopy of their lush foliage. The water is shallow and crystal clear, offering endless hours of fun and frolic in the sunlit sea. There are



facilities for boating, fishing and snorkelling.

- **Teluk Nipah** is an enchanting secluded bay on the west coast, accessible only by bicycle or motorcycle from Pasir Bogak and Teluk Belanga.

### Where To Stay

Accommodation facilities range from luxurious hotels and government rest

houses to the more spartan comfort of A-frame attap huts and camping sites. Some of the accommodation facilities are:

HOTEL/CHALET	NO. OF ROOMS
Sea View Hotel & Holiday Resort Sdn. Bhd. Pasir Bogak 32300 Pulau Pangkor Tel: 05-6851605 Fax: 05-6851970	59 rooms

Beach Huts Hotel 34 rooms  
Pasir Bogak  
32300 Pulau Pangkor  
Tel: 05-6851159

Khoo Holiday Resort 100 rooms  
Pasir Bogak  
32300 Pulau Pangkor  
Tel: 05-6851165

Sri Bayu Beach Resort 125 rooms  
Lot. 53, Pasir Bogak  
32300 Pulau Pangkor  
Tel: 05-6851605  
Fax: 05-6851970

Pan Pacific Resorts Pangkor 165 rooms  
Teluk Belanga,  
32300 Pulau Pangkor  
Tel: 05-6851399 / 1561 / 1563 / 1091  
Fax: 05-6851852

Pangkor Laut Resort 125 rooms  
c/o Lumut Post Office  
32200 Lumut  
Tel: 05-6851375  
Fax: 05-6851320

### How To Get There

#### By Air

Pelangi Air operates regular scheduled services from Kuala Lumpur to Pangkor Island.

DEPARTURE SCHEDULE	DAY	TIME
K. Lumpur to Pangkor	Daily	8.35 am
K. Lumpurt to Pangkor	Mon/Thurs/Sat	9.00 am
Pangkor to K. Lumpur	Daily	1.35 pm
Pangkor to K. Lumpur	Mon/Thurs/Sat	3.00 pm
Pangkor to Penang	Mon/Thurs/Sat	10.10 pm
Penang to Pangkor	Mon/Thurs/Sat	2.05 pm
Pangkor to Singapore	Daily	9.45 pm
Singapore to Pangkor	Daily	11.40 pm

*Note: Schedule subject to changes*





For further information, please contact:

Pelangi Air Sdn. Bhd.  
18th Floor,  
Technology Resources Tower  
Letter Box 55  
161B Jalan Ampang  
50450 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
Tel No: General Line 03-2624453/54  
Reservation 03-2624446/48  
Fax No: 03-2624515

### Ferry Services

Ferry services between Lumut on the mainland and Pangkor Island operate at 1/2 hourly intervals.

There are also regular scheduled ferry services between the Pan Pacific Resort and Lumut.

The smaller island of **Pangkor Laut** is relatively untouched and has a redolent air about it, in spite of the existence of an international standard resort set within lush tropical surroundings. This is Malaysia's very own fantasy island – the perfect island retreat for those wanting to get away from it all.

The resort on this 825-acre island, provides rustic Malay style cottages with the comforts of air conditioning, attached bathrooms and gracious verandahs looking out to sea.



### Things To See And Do

- The resort offers a range of recreational and sporting facilities. These include the following:
  - catamaran sailing
  - snorkelling
  - windsurfing
  - water scooters
  - water skiing
  - para sailing
  - canoeing
  - scuba diving
- Indoor board games, tennis, squash, sauna and aerobics sessions are also available.
- Fishing enthusiasts can arrange for a fishing trawler to take them to nearby **Sembilan Island**, reputed to have some of the biggest trout in the region.
- **Coral Beach** with its rich and varied store of corals and other marine life makes it a favourite haunt for skin diving.
- **Emerald Bay**, where the resort is located boasts a lovely beach of fine powdery white sand amidst pristine surroundings. Comb the beach for beautiful coloured sea-shells or spend endless days of swimming in the emerald waters.



## Where To Stay

The Pangkor Laut Resort, combines villa style living with all the trappings of 5-star luxury villa in its 125 rooms. Room, single or double occupancy are currently priced at RM500.00 for a hill villa to RM1100.00 for a sea villa suite.

For further inquiries please call:

Pangkor Laut Resort

Tel: 05-6851375 Fax: 05-6851320

## How To Get There

There are four regular scheduled ferry services between Lumut and Pangkor Laut daily.

Lumut to Pangkor Laut	Pangkor Laut to Lumut
8.00am	9.15am
11.30am	12.00pm
1.30pm	3.00pm
4.00pm	5.15pm
6.30pm	



For further information, please contact:

Perak Tourist Information Unit  
Jalan Dato' Sagor  
30000 Ipoh  
Perak  
Tel: 05-532800

Perak Tourist Association  
c/o The Royal Casuarina  
18, Jalan Gopeng  
30250 Ipoh  
Perak  
Tel: 05-532008 / 505555

Lumut Tourist Information Centre  
32200 Lumut  
Perak  
Tel: 05-934057



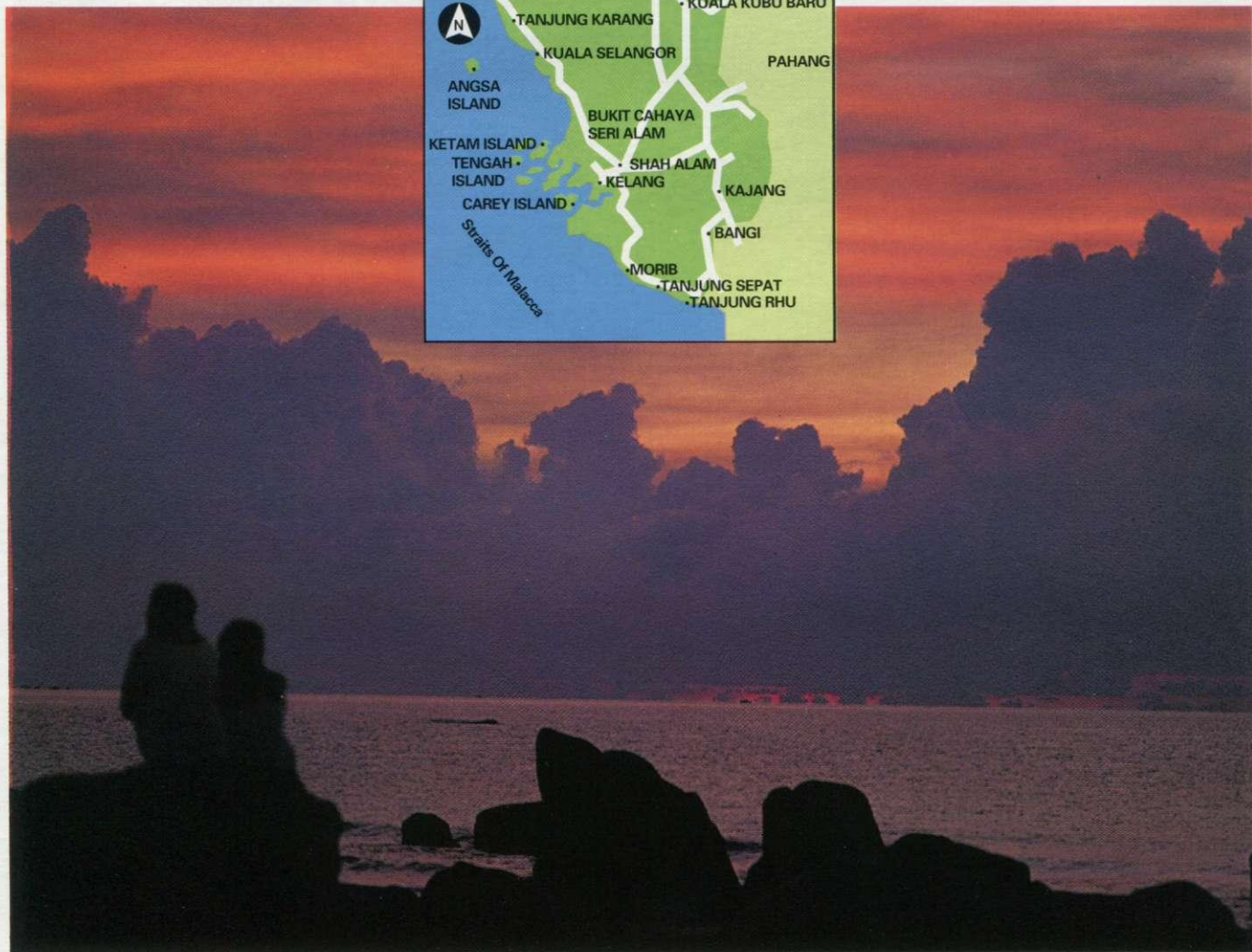
Further south, in the state of Selangor is the beach at **MORIB**, approximately a 1½ hour's drive from Kuala Lumpur. It is perfect for those wanting to escape the crowd and the hustle and bustle of the more popular playgrounds along the West Coast of Peninsular Malaysia. Morib offers the visitor an almost

## SELANGOR

### Morib/Angsa Island/ Ketam Island/Carey Island/Indah Island



unending stretch of fine sandy beach, peaceful and tranquil in its relative isolation. The only company around are the whispering casuarinas, the swaying palms, the foaming waves breaking into little ripples at your feet and the tiny crabs scuttling away to safety in the sands.





## Things To See And Do

This is one of the few places where you are completely at liberty to set your own pace, to do the things you've always wanted to do.

- At low tide, the deserted beach extends far out to the distant horizon where the sea appears as a straight line of shimmering blue. Comb the lonely beach in search of sea-shells. Peer into the sand at your feet and watch the tiny crabs disappearing into their tiny holes. See the variety of fascinating shell fish left behind by the tide. If you're lucky you might come across a pair of king crabs in the little puddles.
- You might come across the solitary beachcomber digging into the soft sand in search of shellfish which abounds on this particular stretch of

beach. They are delicious when fried with chilly or just stewed.

Why not find some for yourself – you don't need any special tools. Just use your hands.

- Spread out your mat and picnic in the shade of the casuarina grove. When it comes to building up your appetite, nothing can beat the effects of the soft breeze fanning your cheeks and the music of the waves beating against the shore.
- Nearby is the 9-hole golf course, a popular haunt among golfers who want to get away from it all and enjoy a few rounds of their favourite game amidst tranquil surroundings.
- The Golf Club offers a swimming pool, a bar, sauna, jacuzzi, dining facilities and a pro shop.

Golfing Fees:

Weekdays : RM27.00

Weekends and Public

Holidays : RM63.00

Caddy Fees :

Class A : RM5.00 (per nine)

Class B : RM12.00 (per nine)

- Venture into the interior and see the traditional kampong houses surrounded by coconut trees and coffee shrubs. Occasionally you'll be able to see coffee beans spread out on the ground to dry. It is evident that mechanisation has not taken over completely here and people still go about their daily chores in their own unhurried way.
- For a bit of local history, there are the ruins of ancient Government buildings and the royal graves at Jugra. Standing all alone by the padi fields is an abandoned palace of the 1800's.
- Go down south along the coastal road and get acquainted with the secluded and unspoilt beaches along this stretch.

## Where To Stay

For those wishing to linger awhile here, there is the 20-room Hotel Sri Morib.

For reservations, please contact:

Hotel Sri Morib

38½ Mile, Jalan Kancong Laut  
Morib, 42700 Banting, Selangor

Tel: 03-8581732

Fax: 03-8581125





North of Morib, across the sea from Port Klang is a group of islands, clustered closely together, almost hugging the coastline.

The largest of these is **CAREY ISLAND**, the home of the Mah Meri aboriginal tribe, renowned for their traditional wood carvings. Their carvings usually depict figures representing spirits which they refer to as 'moyang' or ancestor. A wealth of legends, passed down through the generations by oral tradition weave fascinating tales about these figures.

Carey Island actually belongs to the firm of Golden Hope Plantation which owns the vast oil palm estates on the island. Prior permission must be obtained for a visit.

Visits to the Mah Meri settlement on the island may also be arranged through:

The Aborigines Department  
Selangor/Federal Territory  
3rd Floor, South Podium  
Sultan Salahuddin Abdul  
Aziz Shah Building  
40000 Shah Alam  
Tel: 03-5590375

There are no accommodation facilities for visitors to the island besides the guest bungalows for the firm's guests.

### How To Get There

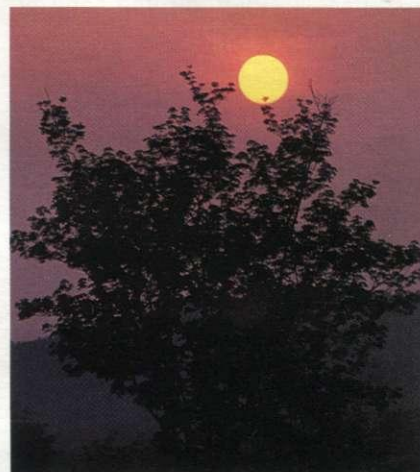
The island is accessible by road and sea.

The best way of seeing the island however, is to take a leisurely 1½ hour's drive from Kuala Lumpur to Teluk Panglima Garang on the Kuala Lumpur – Banting road. From Teluk Panglima Garang, a narrow road past rustic Malay kampungs takes you to Carey Island. A bridge now links the island to the mainland.



**KETAM ISLAND**, well known for its bountiful fishing grounds is largely inhabited by fisherfolk. The quaintly picturesque villages dotting the coast consist of houses built on stilts. The island is also well known among the locals for its seafood restaurants which specialise in dishing up fresh crabs cooked in a variety of ways.

No accommodation is available on the island.



### How To Get There

There are many buses and taxis plying the Kuala Lumpur – Port Klang route.

Fares:

- a) By air-conditioned bus – RM2.50
- b) By air-conditioned taxi – RM40.00 (per taxi)

From Port Klang board, a ferry boat for Ketam Island. The journey takes approximately 1 hour and the one-way fare is RM2.20.



Visit **INDAH ISLAND** for a unique experience of an unspoilt Malay kampung. The island is relatively untouched by the trappings of development – the only visible signs of it being the bicycles and motorcycles for travel within the island. The kampung or village folks move about their daily business in their own unhurried way.

There are no accommodation facilities for visitors on the island.

### How To Get There

Take a bus or taxi to Port Klang. Then board a ferry boat to Indah Island. The journey takes approximately 1 hour and the one-way fare is RM2.50.

Further up the Selangor coast, is **ANGSA ISLAND** off the coast of Kuala Selangor, approximately 67km from Kuala Lumpur. This quiet coastal town is renowned for its Bugis dominance over the area in days gone by. The local story teller is only too willing to

regale you with his rich store of legends and tales about the various landmarks.

### How To Get There

There are also buses and taxis plying the Kuala Lumpur – Kuala Selangor route.

There are no regular ferry services to Angsa Island but the friendly fishermen would only be too willing to ferry you across for a nominal sum.





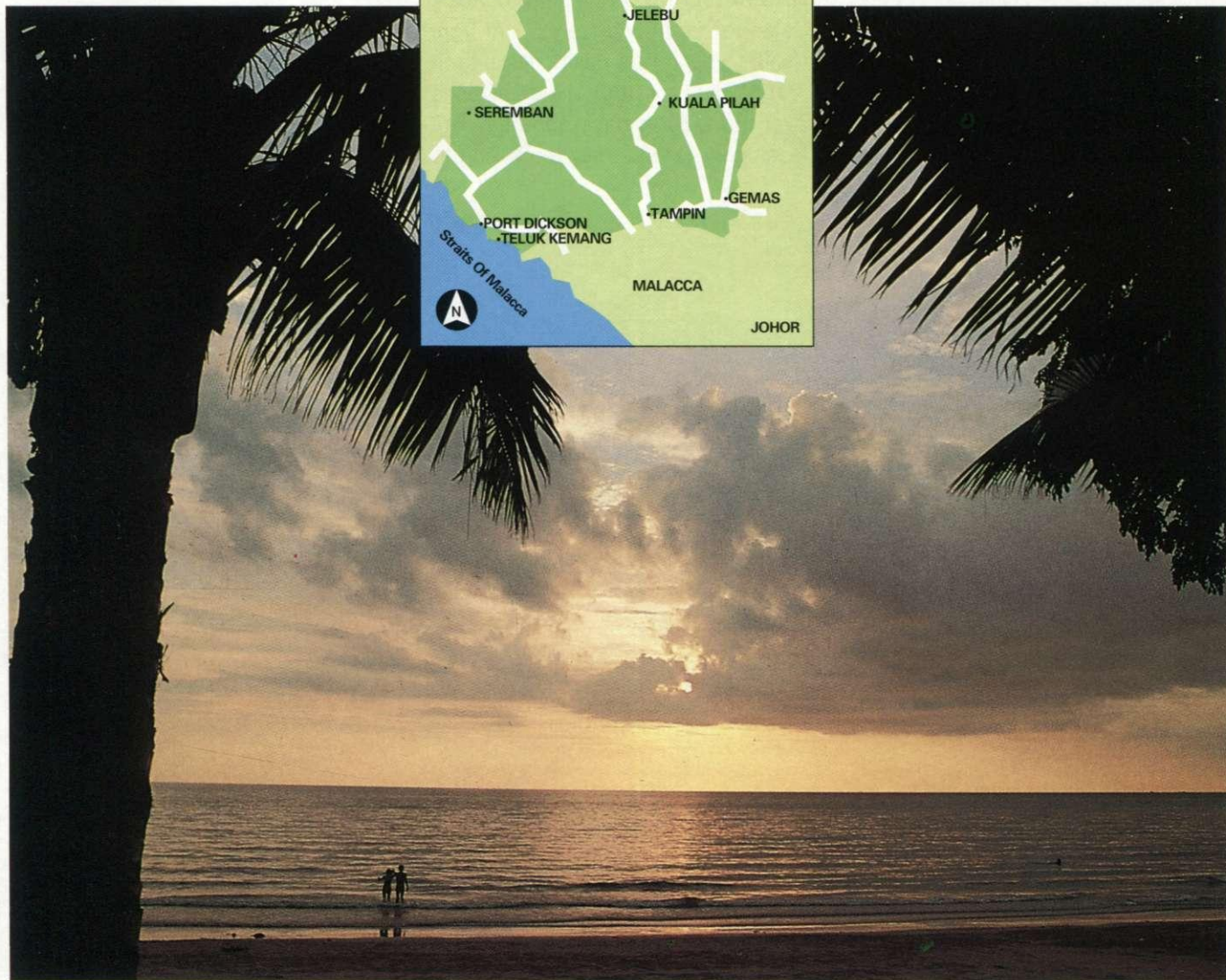
**PORT DICKSON**, the playground resort in Negeri Sembilan is 34km from the state capital of Seremban and about a 1½ hour's leisurely drive from Kuala Lumpur. It offers 18km of fine sandy beaches fringed by casuarinas, coconut palms and the spreading

## NEGERI SEMBILAN

### Port Dickson



branches of the Banyan tree. The road practically hugs the coastline – you can just stop wherever it suits your fancy and just plunge into the cool waters. Vendors along the road offer thirst quenching drinks of coconut water and sugar-cane juice.





## Things To See And Do

- Plunge headlong into a day of fun-filled leisure activities such as water-skiing, canoeing, snorkelling and wind surfing. Enquire at your hotel reception for arrangements to utilise these facilities. If you enjoy sailing, arrange to have temporary membership at the Yacht Club.
- There is more to Port Dickson than just the sea. Take in the local sights and absorb some of the local history.



- 7km from Port Dickson, at Kota Lukut stands the Fort of Raja Jumaat, the nineteenth century Bugis warrior. The fort was built in 1847 to control the lucrative tin trade in the area. Today the muzzle loading guns used to defend the fort can be seen within the grounds of the District Officer's residence and outside the Police Station in town. In



the vicinity of the fort are also the remains of the foundation of an old palace and a royal burial ground.

- Visit the lighthouse at **Cape Rachardo** built by the Portuguese in the 16th century. The beacon guided sailing ships to Malacca, the most important port in South East Asia. The lighthouse is still functioning today.
- Ascend the narrow spiral staircase and see the magnificent view of the coastline of Sumatra, 38km across the Straits. The Cape is also the stopover point for migratory birds. From September to March, flocks of

sparrows, honey buzzards and swifts can be seen here together with hawks and eagles.

- Walk down the 63 steps beside the lighthouse and follow the jungle trek to a secluded beach. The footprint embedded in a boulder, about 50 metre to the right of the track, is said to be that of Hang Tuah, the legendary Malay warrior of the 15th Century.
- Legend has it that upon acquiring innate strength and knowledge, Hang Tuah chose to meditate here. The footprint marks the spot where he first landed at **Tanjung Tuan**.



- A nearby well whose icy cool water is a boon for the tired and thirsty, is also said to have been dug by him. Local devotees have known to pay their homage at this spot.
- At **Pengkalan Kempas**, a small village 23km south of the lighthouse, is the 15th Century tomb with its famous carved megalith. The mystery surrounding the stone remains unsolved to this day. Of special interest is the 'ordeal stone', an ancient lie-detector, through which a person puts his arm when answering questions. If he lies, the stone tightens like a vice.
- If you're the adventurous type, get the taste of the local cuisine which is



hot and spicy. There's fish cooked in thick gravy of coconut milk and the killer 'cili padi' – guaranteed to make your mouth and eyes smart. Or try the rendang (beef cooked with coconut milk and a rich assortment of spices). This is normally eaten with 'Lemang' – glutinous rice cooked in bamboo.

### Where To Stay

A number of resorts and hotels have sprung up along the coast, offering a range of accommodation facilities. Some of them are as follows:

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS	
Halcyon Guest House Batu 9, Jalan Pantai 71050 Port Dickson Tel: 06-405323	10 rooms	
Happy City Hotel 26, Jalan Raja Aman Shah 71000 Port Dickson Tel: 06-473103	12 rooms	
Hotel Pantai Ria Batu 7 1/2 Jalan Pantai 71000 Port Dickson Tel: 06-405122	20 rooms	
Kong Ming Hotel Batu 8, Telok Kemang 71050 Port Dickson Tel: 06-405683	23 rooms	
Pantai Motel 9th Mile, Jalan Pantai Teluk Kemang 71050 Port Dickson Tel: 06-405130	15 rooms	
Pantai Dickson Resort Batu 12, Jalan Pantai 71050 Port Dickson Tel: 06-405473	200 bungalows	



Si-Rusa Beach Resort 160 rooms  
 Batu 7, Jalan Pantai  
 Port Dickson  
 Tel: 06-405233 Fax: 06-405332

Ming Court Beach Resort 165 rooms  
 Batu 7.5, Jalan Pantai  
 Telok Kemang, 71050 Port Dickson  
 Tel: 06-405244 Fax: 06-405899

Regency Hotel & Resort 217 rooms  
 Batu 5, Jalan Pantai  
 Peti Surat 47, 71007 Port Dickson  
 Tel: 06-474090 Fax: 06-475016

Sea View Hotel 20 rooms  
 No. 841, Batu 1, Jalan Pantai  
 71000 Port Dickson  
 Tel: 06-471818



Lido Hotel 22 rooms  
 Batu 8, Jalan Pantai  
 Teluk Kemang, 71050 Port Dickson  
 Tel: 06-405273

### How To Get There

Port Dickson is easily accessible from Kuala Lumpur and Seremban by buses and taxis.

#### Fares:

Taxi	
Kuala Lumpur – Seremban	RM6.00
Seremban – Port Dickson	RM2.50
Bus	
Kuala Lumpur – Seremban	RM3.00
Seremban – Port Dickson	RM1.60



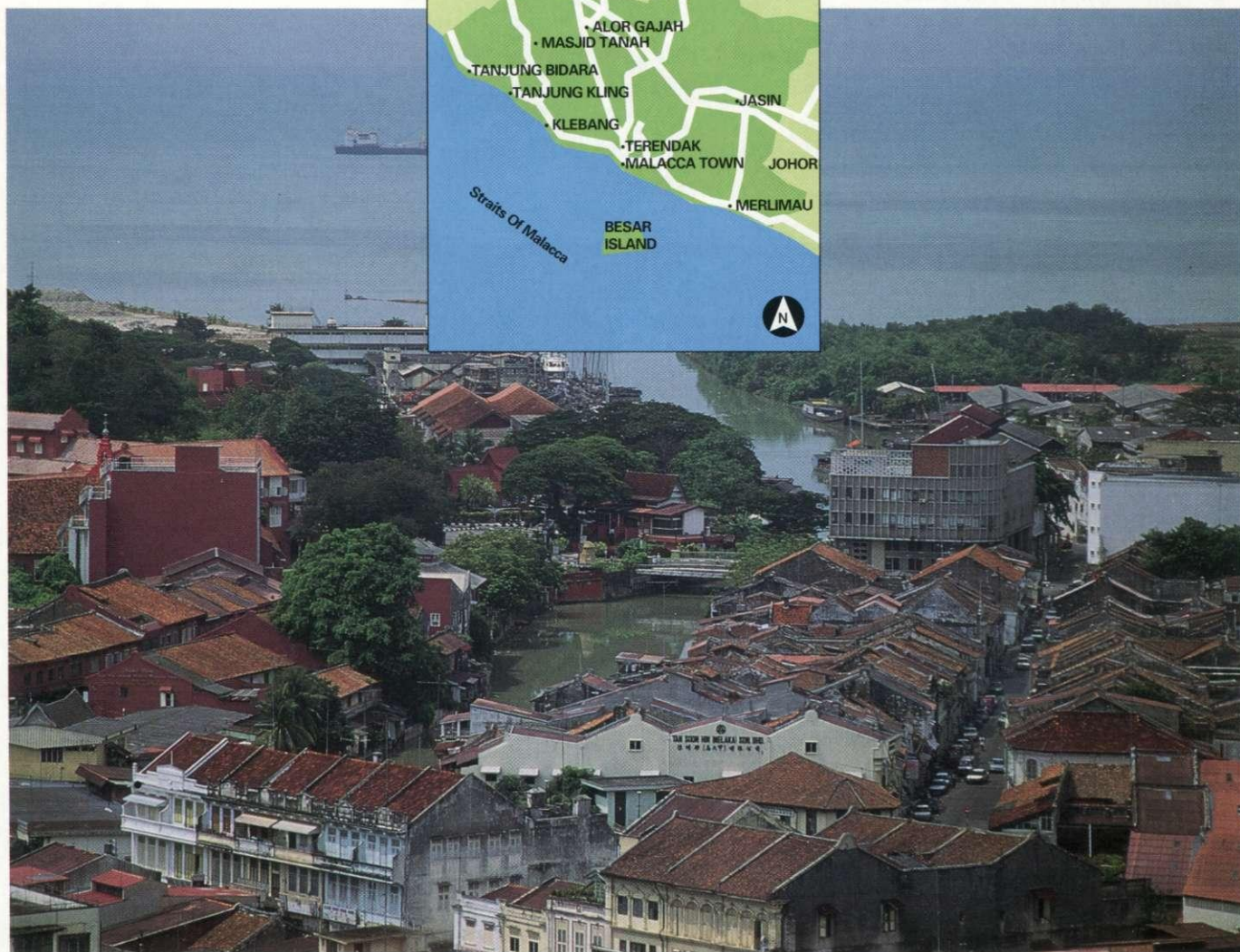


There are 3 beautiful beaches in Malacca and a resort is emerging on **PULAU BESAR**, or **BESAR ISLAND** in the Straits. The beaches of **KLEBANG**, **TANJUNG KLING** and **TANJUNG BIDARA** have fine white sands on the edge of sparkling blue seas. Sit in the shade of the tall

## MALACCA

### Pulau Besar/Klebang Tanjung Bidara/ Tanjung Kling

coconut palms and watch ships go by, in utter peace and serenity. A number of resorts have emerged along the coast, making it a popular seaside haven. In Malacca, history vies with the attractions of the sea, for your attention. So when you are around, do make a point of taking in





some of the sights of this fascinating city steeped in history.

### Things To Do And See

- There are a number of seaside resorts along the coast where you can enjoy a few days of rest and recreation. Fill up your days with

swimming, snorkelling and canoeing. Or just lie down in the shade of the swaying palms. If you've had enough of such activity, comb the beach for pretty sea-shells of every shape and hue.

- **Tanjung Bidara**, located some 35km north of Malacca town

games room and facilities for boating to keep you occupied.

For reservations, please call:

Tanjung Bidara Beach Resort  
Batu 24, Masjid Tanah  
78300 Malacca  
Tel: 06-542990 Fax: 06-542995

### How To Get There

Malacca is accessible by road from Kuala Lumpur.

### By Express Bus

There are express buses plying the Kuala Lumpur – Malacca route.

Board the buses at Kuala Lumpur's Puduraya Terminal. The journey takes approximately 2 hours and the one-way fare is RM6.50 per person.

### By Taxi

Taxis for Malacca also depart from Kuala Lumpur's Puduraya bus terminal and the fare is RM16.00.

From Malacca Town, take a bus or taxi to Tanjung Bidara from the terminal at Jalan Kilang. This route is served by the Patt Hup buses and the fare is RM2.40. The fare by taxi is RM2.50.

Alternatively, you might like to take a leisurely 1½ hour's drive down from Kuala Lumpur. Follow the Ayer Keroh Highway until the Alor Gajah intersection. From Alor Gajah, take the Lendu road to Masjid Tanah and Tanjung Bidara. This route takes you



commands a magnificent sweep of the coastline. The blue waters of the cove is ideal for swimming, water skiing and canoeing. There are also numerous shady spots for cosy picnics.

### Where To Stay

The Tanjung Bidara Resort offers 15 chalets and 50 motel rooms, (all air-conditioned) with rates beginning at RM70.00. Facilities include a restaurant serving Malay, Chinese and Western cuisine, a lounge bar and swimming pool. There are also tennis courts, a





through rustic rural kampungs and picturesque padi fields.

Further down the coast is **Pantai Kundur**, approximately 17km from Malacca town. This beach is a favourite spot for swimming and picnicking. Nearby is a Malay fishing village with quaint 'kelongs' – wooden huts raised on stilts, over the water. Fishermen suspend their nets from poles near the 'kelongs' and periodically lower them to net a passing shoal.

The Patt Hup bus passes by this stretch on its way to Tanjung Bidara.

Approximately 10km from Malacca town is **Tanjung Kling** another beautiful stretch of white sandy beach set within a coconut palm grove. This is another favourite beach for swimming and picnicking.

### Where To Stay

The Shah's Beach Resort offers 50 air conditioned kampung style chalets with rates beginning from RM80.00. A swimming pool and recreational facilities are also available. The restaurant serves Chinese and Western cuisine.

For reservations, please contact:

Shah's Beach Resort  
6½ mile, Tanjung Kling  
56400 Melaka  
Tel: 06-511121 / 511120  
Fax: 06-511088

### How To Get There

Tanjung Kling is approximately a 20 minutes' drive from Malacca town. Take the Patt Hup bus from the terminal in Malacca.

Further down the coast, nearer to Malacca town are the beaches of fine white sand at **Klebang**. This picturesque stretch is dotted with foodstalls selling a variety of local fare.

The blue waters is ideal for swimming.

The Patt Hup bus passes by this stretch on its way to Tanjung Bidara. The fare is RM0.40.

On the beaches of **Pernu** and **Serkam**, approximately 10km and 15km respectively from Malacca, on the road to Muar in the south, are stalls offering the local favourite – fresh grilled fish. Pick your own fish and savour the delightful flavour of fish grilled over a charcoal fire.





Sample some of the local dishes like 'satay' and 'rojak' and wash it all down with ice-cold sugar cane juice or coconut water. The delightful aroma of the grilled fish and the rustic kampung environment in the sultry sunset is guaranteed to work up your appetite. These spots attract large crowds usually after 6.00pm.

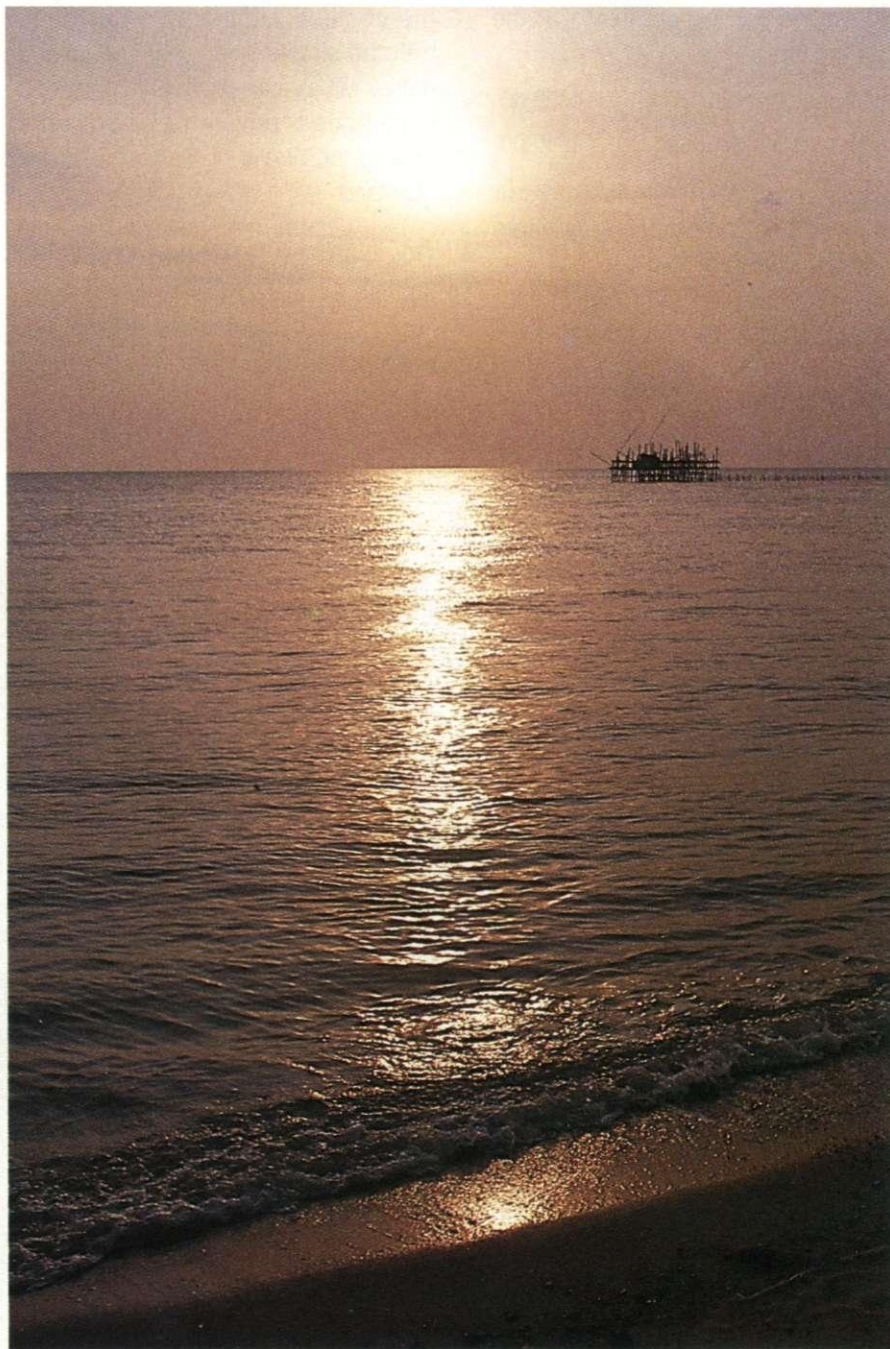
To get there, board the Umbai bus at the terminal in Malacca.

**PULAU BESAR** is located about 3 nautical miles off Pengkalan Pernu at Umbai, 10km south of Malacca town. Those in search of fresh air, sandy beaches and tranquillity will be entranced by the unspoilt natural beauty of the island. It also abounds with intriguing legends and sacred graves and shrines. There is an island resort with beach chalets, a yacht club and a host of sea – based sporting facilities. The island is ideal for swimming, fishing, snorkelling, camping and picnicking.

### How To Get There

The Syarikat Kenderaan Aziz operates regular services to Umbai from the terminal at Jalan Kilang in Malacca. The fare is RM1.50.

The journey by boat from the Pengkalan Pernu jetty takes approximately 45 minutes. The fare is RM4.00 per person.





Boats may also be chartered at the following rates:

6 persons per boat – RM35.00

7 – 12 persons per boat – RM40.00

Visitors may safely park their cars at the parking area in Umbai. A daily rate of RM3.00 is charged per car and visitors are advised not to leave their car keys with the parking attendants.

### Where To Stay

Tapa-Nyai Island Resort, located on the magical island of Pulau Besar off

the coast of Malacca, is designed with the simple traditional charm of a native Malay village. Every room and chalet has a private balcony with a view to the Straits of Malacca and the mainland.

The endless fun-filled activities available include trekking, treasure hunts, pirate ship cruises, snorkelling, water scootering, island hopping and yachting.

For reservations, please contact:

Tapa Nyai Island Resort  
Pulau Besar Malacca,  
G.P.O. Box 356  
75670 Melaka  
Tel: 06-242088  
Fax: 06-243588

For further information, please contact:

Malacca Tourist Information Centre,  
Jalan Kota,  
75000 Malacca  
Tel: 06-236538



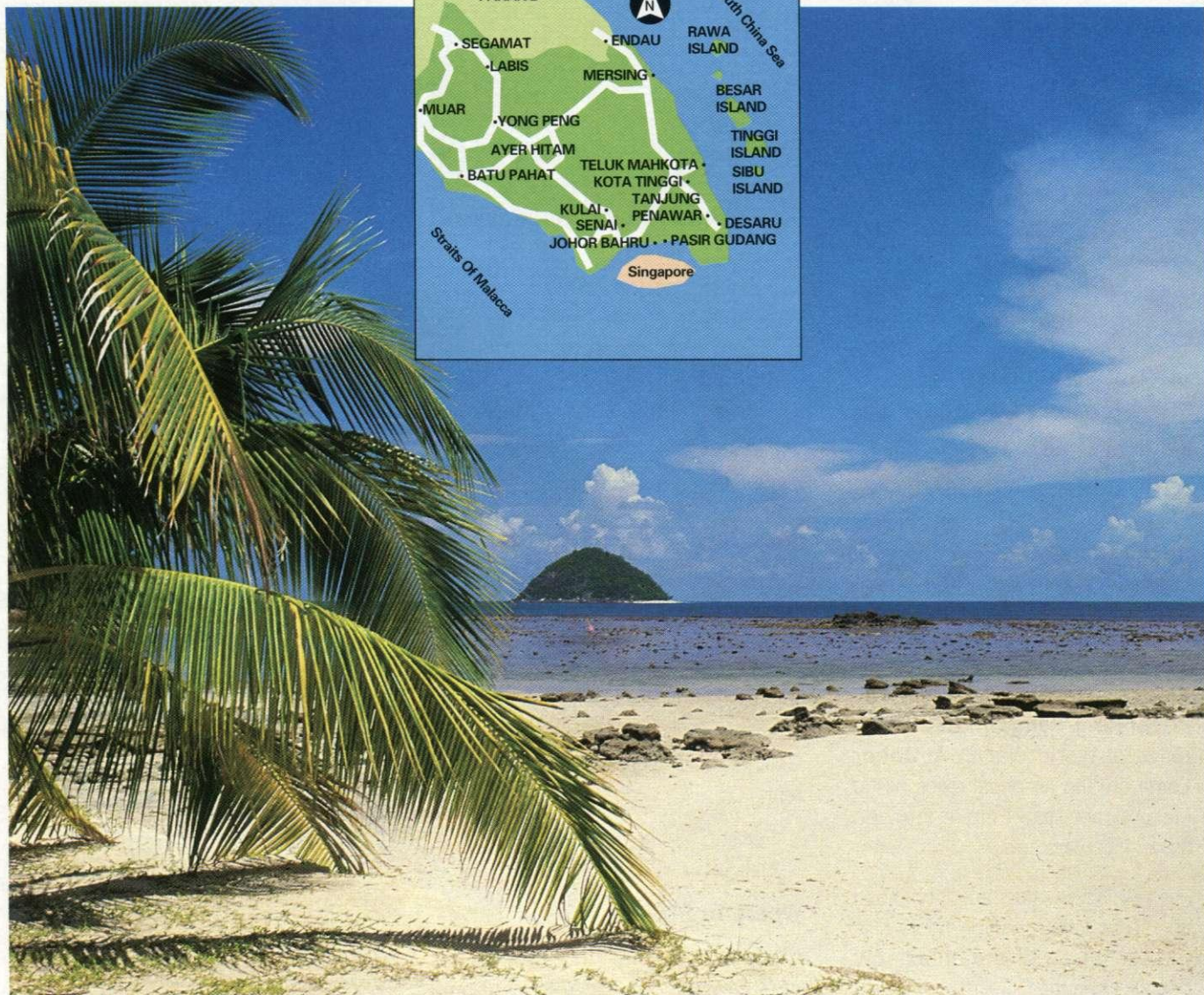


In **JOHOR**, the favourite haunts for visitors seeking a restful retreat amidst nature's quiet beauty are to be found on the beaches of the East Coast and in the offshore islands of the South China Sea.

## JOHOR

### Desaru/Besar/Tinggi/ Sibu/Rawa Islands

The seas around here contain a colourful and fascinating variety of underwater life and offers visitors a wide choice of activities to pursue – snorkelling, scuba diving and fishing to name but a few.





## Things To Do And See

**Tanjung Penawar**, 98km north – east of Johor Bahru, beckons the visitor with its verdant greenery, grassy glades and green hills; cascading brooks and golden sandy beaches. Here is **Desaru**, the village of Casuarinas with its 25km stretch of unspoilt beaches and lush tropical forests.

- A host of facilities for sea sports await the visitor – swimming, snorkelling, boating, canoeing wind-surfing, parasailing, waterskiing, catamaran-sailing and windsurfing. Yachts and canoes are available for an adventure on the high seas. For a taste of local lifestyle, take a day trip to one of the nearby fishing village. The neighbouring **Lima Island** is an ideal fishing spot.
- There are the jungle tracks on the fringes of the tropical forest – trek to the tumbling waterfalls; watch unusual insects and birds flitting among the dense foliage and camp beneath the warm starry skies.
- Visitors can also make their way to **Tanjung Pengalih** to see the relics of World War II. At **Johor Lama** are the historical relics of the Malay Johor Riau Empire founded some 450 years ago.
- The resort also offers an 18-hole golf course rambling through rainforests with glimpses of breathtakingly beautiful beaches. Golfers at Desaru



have the added luxury of virtually playing on carpet grass from tee to green. Playing amidst such lush tranquil surroundings, with the sound of the surf in the distance, it would be so easy to forget all the cares of the humdrum world you left behind...

Green Fees:	
Weekdays:	RM70.00
Weekends & Public Holidays:	RM80.00
Caddy Fees:	RM6.00 (per 9) RM15.00 (per 18)

Golfing equipment is also available for rent.

Full set	RM25.00
Half set	RM12.00

## Where To Stay

A number of luxury hotels provide plush and comfortable accom-

modation. However, if you prefer to rough it out, campsites within the wooded area provide spartan comforts and cooking facilities to fuel your spirit of adventure. Special dormitories and wooden huts on stilts are also available. Some of the accommodation follow:

HOTEL/CHALET	NO. OF ROOMS
Desaru View Hotel	134 rooms
Tanjung Penawar	
Kota Tinggi, Johor	
Tel: 07-821221	
Fax: 07-821237	
Desaru Garden Beach Resort	100 rooms
P. O. Box 50, Tanjung Penawar	
81907 Kota Tinggi, Johor	
Tel: 07-821101/821107	
Fax: 07-821480	
Desaru Holiday Resort	70 rooms
Tanjung Penawar	(Chalets)
Kota Tinggi, Johor	
Tel: 07-821240/821212/821211	
Fax: 07-821937	

## Desaru Camping Grounds

Enquiries can be made through:

Tanjung Balau Fishing Village  
Tourism Manager  
South East Johor Development  
Authority (KEJORA)  
KEJORA Headquarters  
Jalan Dato' Onn  
Bandar Penawar, Desaru  
81900 Kota Tinggi  
Johor  
Tel: 07-821601/ 821202  
Fax: 07-821600



## How To Get There

### a) From Kuala Lumpur:

There are regular scheduled flights to Johor Bahru.

From Johor Bahru, take a bus or taxi to Tanjung Penawar.

Bus Fare: RM3.50 per person

Taxi Fare: RM60.00

(RM12.00 per person)

### b) From Singapore:

Tanjung Penawar is approximately 118km from Singapore and can be reached in about 2 hours by road. There are 2 daily shuttles from 5 major hotels in the heart of Singapore. The fare is RM40.00 (return) for adults. It is also accessible by boat from Changi Point in Singapore. Take the boat to Tanjung Pengalih where transport is available to Desaru.



The quiet fishing town of **Mersing** lies approximately 138km from Johor Bahru. Mersing is also the springboard to the lovely offshore islands in the South China Sea. Around Mersing are found picturesque fishing villages and a number of seafood restaurants. 15km away is the beautiful beach at **Air Papan** – ideal for swimming and picnicking.

## Where To Stay

Accommodation available included following places:

HOTEL/REST HOUSE	NO. OF ROOMS
Merlin Inn Resort 1.5 km Jalan Endau 86807 Mersing, Johor Tel: 07-791313 791312	31 rooms

Mersing Rest House  
490, Jalan Ismail  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-792102

18 rooms

Visitor are advised to check with the hotels and your travel agent for the current rate and additional information.

Arrangements for tours to Air Papan or the fishing villages can be made through your hotel.

## How To Get There

Mersing is about a 3 hour's drive from Johor Bahru.

## By Bus

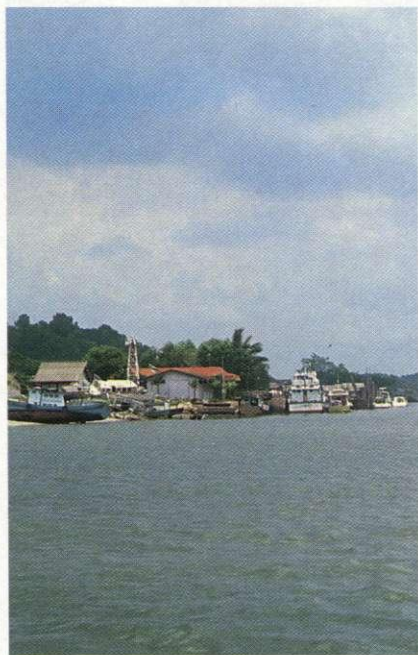
The Johor Bahru – Mersing Express operates scheduled services from



Johore Bahru to Mersing on Sundays. On other days, departure times may vary depending on the number of passengers. The fare is RM5.10 (Non-air-conditioned)

### By Taxi

There are also many taxis plying the route and the fare is RM13.00 per person.



### PARADISE ISLANDS OF JOHOR

Of all the islands off the east coast of Johor, the foremost ones are **Besar Island**, **Tinggi Island**, **Sibu Island**, **Hujong Island**, **Aur Island**, **Pemanggil Island**, **Rawa Island** and **Tengah Island**.

These islands are surrounded by crystal clear waters teeming with corals and fishes. Of these Tinggi Island, Sibu Island and Rawa Island have been gazetted as Marine Parks.

**BESAR ISLAND**, off the coast of Mersing has stretches of beautiful beaches – white and blissfully deserted. Beneath the turquoise blue waters, are coral reefs forming an enchanted underwater garden below. There are resorts, on the island with comfortable chalets and restaurants.

### Things To Do And To See

- Go fishing, snorkelling or driving. Or take a trip to the nearby islands. These activities can be arranged with the owners of the resort.
- Visit a 'kelong' and see the fishermen hauling up their nets laden with the bountiful harvest from the sea.
- Trek into the wooden interior or catch forty winks in the shade of the swaying coconut palms.





## Where To Stay

A number of resorts on the island provide accommodation facilities ranging from traditional Malay village chalets to A-frame huts. Restaurants at these resorts do serve a variety of local, Asian and Western delicacies.

Hillside Chalet Island Resort, a traditional Malay village styled resort offering 13 large and comfortable chalets with 30 rooms and private facilities. A sports centre offering facilities for canoeing, windsurfing, scuba diving, snorkelling and indoor games is also available at this resort.

For enquiries/reservations, please contact:

Hillside Chalet Island Resort  
No 5B, Gerai Majlis Daerah  
Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing  
Johor  
Tel: 07-794831  
Fax: 07-793837

Radin Island Resort offers 50 village style chalets with air conditioning for your island escapade. Malay, Chinese and continental cuisines are easily available at the resort's restaurant. Seasport facilities ranging from windsurfing to snorkelling are also provided at a nominal fee.





For reservations and enquiries, please contact:

Radin Island Resort  
Gerai No. 5, Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-794152 / 791413

There are two other resorts available on this island. For further enquiries/reservations, contact:

White Sand Beach Resort  
No. 23, Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-792582 / 794723  
Fax: 07-792572

Marina Besar Beach Resort  
Tourist Information Centre  
c/o Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-791606  
Fax: 07-793606

## How To Get There

The island is about an hour's boat ride from Mersing. The return fare is RM20.00 for adults and RM10.00 for children.

**Tinggi Island**, rising 2,000 ft. above sea level, lies 32km south east of Mersing. Although relatively untouched, it is not unknown. Even 600 years ago, the island was an important stopover point for traders plying the East West spice route. The early Chinese traders were so taken in by its conical shape, they called it 'General's Hat Island'!

The island is endowed with fresh water, a sheltered harbour, fruits, rattan and



timber – hence its popularity among traders.

Apart from a small fishing village, Tinggi Island is largely uninhabited. It has a long coastline of unpolluted white-sand beaches, dotted with coves, private enough for some quiet bathing. It also owes much of its fame to the coral reefs abounding with marine life.

The seas around it are teeming with fish such butterfly fish, angel fish and black grouper which make it a photographer's haven.

## Things To Do And To see

- Swim in the clear waters or go snorkelling in the fascinating depths – where an underwater treasure trove awaits.
- Trek up to the peak of the conical hill and see **Aur Island** and **Pemanggil Island** beckoning from the distance.
- Spend quiet peaceful evenings at the jetty and watch the squid swimming in the darkening waters.



- Rent a bicycle and meet the local villagers or just go for a walk through these villages or along the beach.

### Where To Stay

The 120-room Nadias Inn Resort was built in traditional Malay style in the form of wooden chalets with attap roofs. Each room is airconditioned, complete with a television set, direct dial telephone and attached bathroom. The resort's restaurant serves both local and Western cuisine. The resort has a wide range of recreational facilities including a swimming pool, gymnasium, windsurfing, sailing and deep sea fishing.

Rates starts at RM260 for single and RM185 for double occupancy.

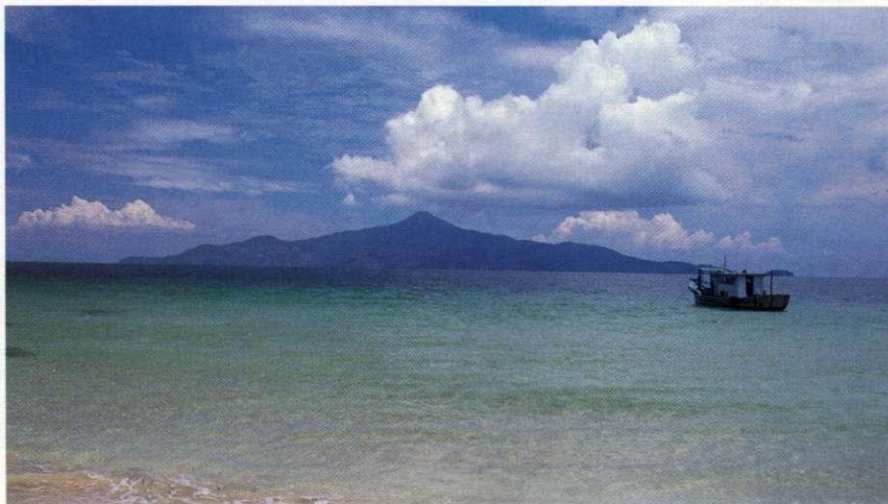
For further information or reservations, contact:

Nadia's Inn Tropical Resort  
Pulau Tinggi  
Atur: 011-349566  
Mersing Office:  
No. 1-C, Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing, Johor

Tinggi Island Resort  
Kg. Pasir Panjang, Pulau Tinggi  
86807 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-232050 / 240063  
Fax: 07-245501

### How To Get There

The island is 3½ hour's by boat from Mersing. The return fare for adults is



RM20.00 and RM10.00 for children. Transportation by boat can be arranged by the resort.

The Sibu group of islands consists of **Sibu Island, Sibu Tengah Island, Sibu Hujong** and **Sibu Kukus**. These islands are remote and deserted – the perfect scenario for playing Robinson Crusoe.

**SIBU TENGAH ISLAND** is about a 2½ hour's boat ride from Mersing. It is also accessible from Tanjung Sedili, an hour's drive from Johor Bahru. The island is relatively uninhabited and the lure of its white coral sandy beaches, hilly terrain, thick vegetation and rich marine life is irresistible.

### Where To Stay

The Sibu Island Resort provides 23 chalets for those wishing to stay on the island at RM50.00 per night.

For enquiries/reservations, please contact:

Sibu Island Resort  
Pulau Sibu  
86800 Mersing  
Johor  
Tel: 011-716775

49, 1st Floor, KOMTAR  
Jalan Wong Ah Fook  
80000 Johor Bahru  
Tel: 07-231188  
Fax: 07-231199

The return fare for the boat trip from Mersing is RM20.00 for adults and RM10.00 for children under 8 years.

**SIBU ISLAND** is a true tropical paradise with its clean white beaches, clear blue waters and fascinating coral reefs teeming with colourful marine life. There are facilities for scuba diving, snorkelling, windsurfing, sailing and fishing.



## Things To Do And To See

- Follow jungle trails through unspoilt mangrove swamps and visit the 'kelongs' where anchovies are caught. Or head for the kampongs where coconut is smoked for copra.

## Where To Stay

A number of resorts on the island provide accommodation facilities ranging from fully furnished modern chalets to the more basic comforts of



A-frame huts. Bath facilities for the latter are shared at community showers. If you do not mind such spartan comforts, this is definitely the place to lose yourself for a few days. The restaurants also serve a variety of local, ASEAN and Western fare and seafood delicacies.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS/UNITS
Sibu Island Cabanas	24 units
Sibu Island, 86800 Mersing, Johor	
Tel: 07-311920 / 317216	
Fax: 07-321251	

or

Suite 2-10 PKENJ Building  
26 C, Jalan Rebana, Kebun Teh  
80250, Johor Bahru, Johor

Sea Gypsy Village Resort      20 rooms  
Sibu Island      Chalets/Bungalows  
Tel: 07-793125

Waterfall Hillside Chalet      12 rooms  
Pulau Sibu  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 011-711790

or

Waterfall Hillside Chalet Sdn. Bhd.  
Merlin Tower  
80000 Johor Bahru, Johor  
Tel: 07-236554

## How To Get There

### SIBU ISLAND

**SIBU ISLAND** can be reached by boat either from Tanjung Sedili or Mersing. Fast boats take about 90 minutes and cost RM36.00 return. (Children between the ages of 3 and 12 years – RM30.00). Transportation by boat can be arranged by the resort.

Bumboats take around 2½ hours and cost only RM30.00 return/per person. (Children between the ages of 3 and 12 – RM16.00)

**AUR ISLAND** is another beautiful island with secluded lagoons and offshore pools perfect for bathing and a host of water sports activities. A longhouse on the island provides basic accommodation for small groups of about 6–8 persons at RM6.00 per night.

The island is about 4 to 5 hours by boat from Mersing. The rate for rental of boats is as follows:

Ordinary boats – RM360.00 (return)  
Fast boats – RM600.00 (return)

Another magical island is **PEMANGGIL ISLAND** about 2 hours by fast boat from Mersing. Ordinary boats take 4 hours to reach the island. The former can carry 44 passengers while the latter can accommodate 12.

There are chalets and longhouses for visitors wishing to stay on the island.

For enquiries and reservations, please contact:

Tioman Accommodation &  
Boat Services  
No. 3, Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing  
Tel: 07-793048

Two other beautiful paradise island off Mersing are **RAWA ISLAND** and **TENGAH ISLAND**, famed for their white coral sand, tall palm trees and offshore coral reefs with its multi-coloured fish and other marine life. The atmosphere here is relaxed and laid back, and the wooden chalets in the coconut grove enhance its village ambience.

## Things To Do And See

- Fill up your days with carefree hours of swimming or sun bathing. Most



people however come here specifically for the pleasures of snorkelling, skin and scuba diving, spear fishing and lobster hunting in its emerald waters. There are boats and equipment for hire for these purposes and also for island hopping.

### **Where To Stay**

Accommodation is available in bungalows and chalets each comprising 4 double rooms with verandahs, showers and attached toilets. Small chalets can accommodate 2 persons in each.

For bookings and enquiries, contact:

Rawa Safaries Island Resorts  
86800 Mersing, Johor  
Tel: 07-791204  
Fax: 07-793848

Pirate Bay Island Resort  
Pulau Tengah  
86800 Mersing  
Johor  
c/o Sales office  
Tel: 07-241911

### **How To Get There**

All the island are accessible by boat from Mersing.

For further information, please contact:

**MTPB (Southern Region)**  
No. 1, 4th Floor  
Kompleks Tun Abdul Razak  
Jalan Wong Ah Fook  
80000 Johor Bharu  
Tel: 07-2223590 / 2223591  
Fax: 07-2235502

**Mersing Tourist Centre**  
Jalan Abu Bakar  
86800 Mersing  
Johor  
Tel: 07-7995212

**Tourist Department of Johor**  
JKR 475, Bukit Timbalan  
80503 Johor Bahru  
Johor  
Tel: 07-2234935 / 2249960  
Fax: 07-2237554

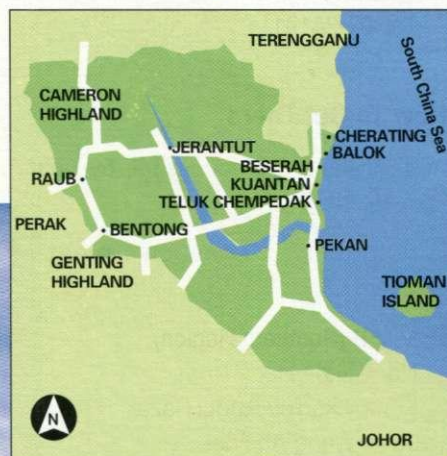
**Mersing Boat Association**  
86800 Mersing  
Johor  
Tel: 07-7991222



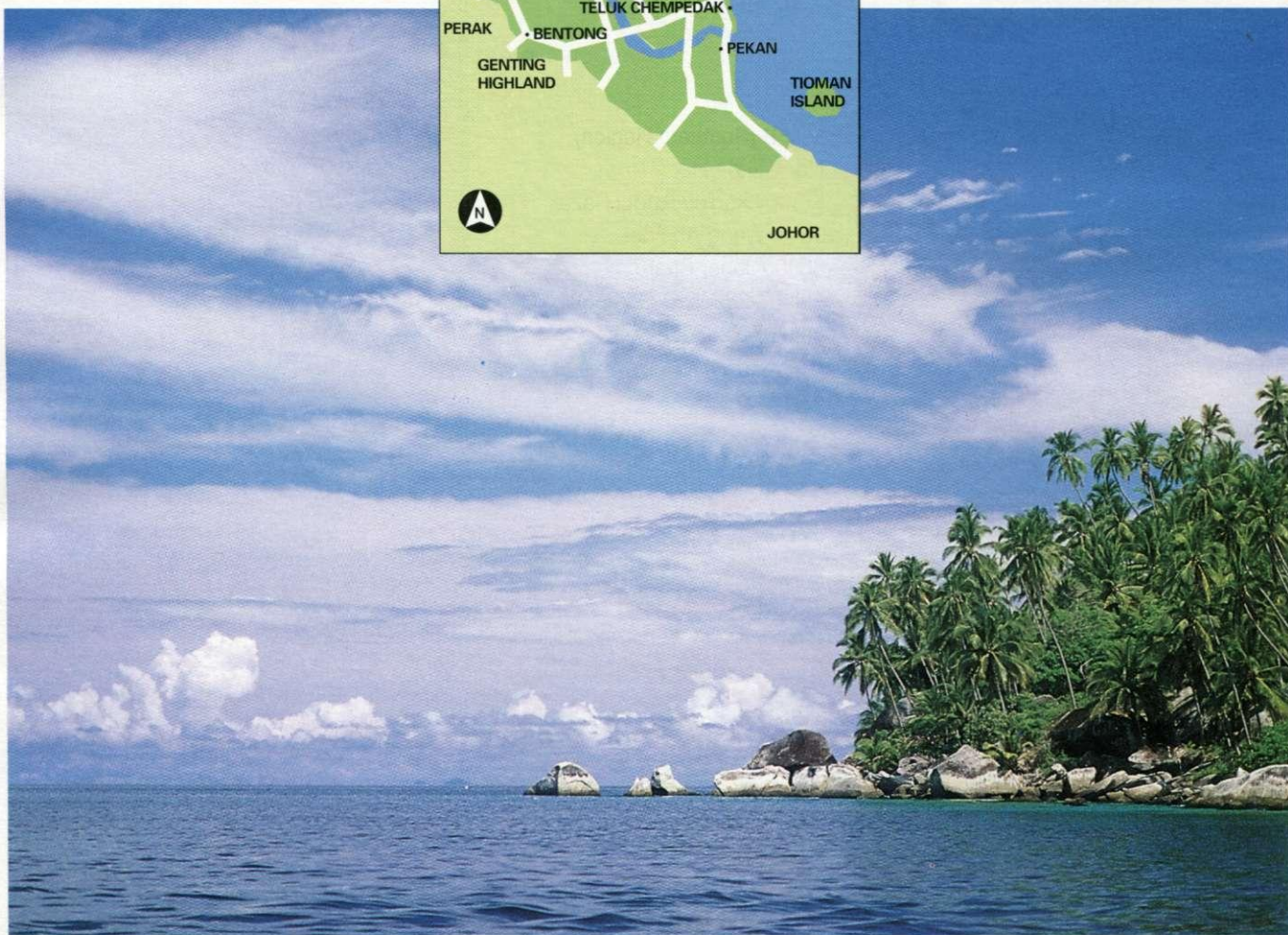
Driving further up the coast, you will encounter some of the enchanting beaches of Pahang. The fabled island of **TIOMAN** also captivates one with its wild unspoilt beauty. The picturesque villages and the rolling surf on the South China Sea exude a feeling of quiet serenity. **Tioman Island** is said to be the resting place of a dragon princess who had turned

## PAHANG

### Tioman Island/Cherating Telok Chempedak/ Balok

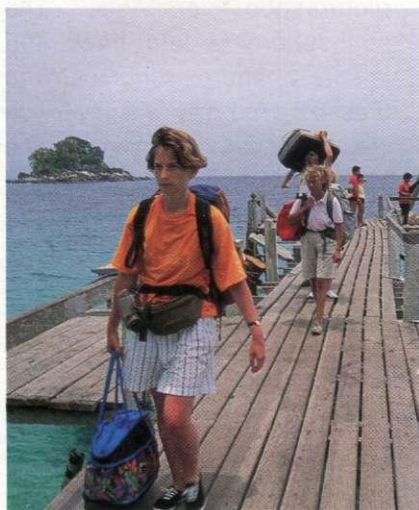


herself into an island in the South China Sea. According to legend, the beautiful princess stopped by enroute to Singapore from China and was so enraptured by the charms of the place that she decided to discontinue her journey. She thereby pledged to offer shelter and comfort to passing travellers and took on the form of an island.





**TIOMAN** is actually one of the largest in a volcanic island group of sixty four. It is the perfect island in the sun, with reefs for diving and clear waters for swimming to your heart's content. The soft sands, swaying palms, wild flowers growing in vivid profusion and cool waterfalls cascading down green clad slopes makes it the perfect retreat for honeymooners in search of a romantic interlude. It also offers a relaxing respite for those tired of living in the fast lane and a welcome haven for travel weary back packers.



### Things To See And Do

- There are 4 lovely beaches on the island – each offering its own idyllic charms. The beach at Lalang, where the Berjaya Tioman Beach Resort is located, is the most popular among visitors and ... yet most refreshingly unspoilt, being devoid of the usual commercial trappings – no beach



vendors; no souvenir stalls and no beach umbrellas.

- To really get away from it all, head for the beaches of Salang or Juara.

**Salang** and **Air Batang** are the ideal location for diving and snorkelling – its collection of live corals and multi-coloured fish is simply stunning.

- **Juara**, situated on the isolated east coast of Tioman is only accessible from the main village on the island by a walking track. The beach is blissfully deserted – a heaven sent retreat for those who seek peace and quite.
- Spend lazy days just languishing on the beach, soaking up the sun.
- Or swim, snorkel or scuba dive at one of the fabulous beaches on the island. The Berjaya Tioman Beach Resort makes arrangements for

snorkelling and scuba diving but many beach chalets also have basic diving equipment for hire and boats to take people to choice areas.

- See the Malay villages tucked away in the quiet kampungs where the lifestyle is traditionally low key. Here, the houses are built on stilts to keep them cool and dry. Or take a stroll around **Kampung Tekek**, and observe how cloth is handpainted prior to being turned into colourful T-shirts. Take some back home as souvenirs.
- Head for the jungle clad hills and scale the spectacular twin peaks in the south. Then, cool off in the tranquil surroundings of the waterfall at **Mukut Village** or frolic in the silky waters of the isolated beach of Bunut. Back at the resort, are facilities for horseback riding and cycling.





- For those wishing to see the fascinating underwater life without getting wet, there are round the island trips in glass bottom boats operated by the Tioman Beach Resort.
- The restaurants at this resort offer a tempting variety of international and local fare. Beachfront chalets and restaurants also serve typical Malaysian cuisine .
- The Tioman Golf Club, surrounded by massive granite boulders, jungle and waterfalls is one of the most picturesque in Asia. The atmosphere is laid back and leisurely. There is no rush; no pressure. You play whenever you like and for as long as you like. The 18-hole golf-course provides a unique challenge to the avid golfer.

Green Fee: RM30.00  
Caddy Fee: RM18.00

### Where To Stay

There is a variety of accommodation to choose from, ranging from the simple A-frame huts fronting the beaches.

In keeping with the general mood pervading the island, the ambience is relaxed and the buildings blend easily with the environment. Hotels available include the following:

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Berjaya Tioman Beach Resort	380 rooms
Tel: 09-445445	





Babura Seaview 14 rooms  
Tel: 011-957147

Samudra Swiss 6 rooms  
Cottage Sdn Bhd  
Tel: 07-248728

Tioman Enterprise 16 rooms  
Tel: 011-952851

Ruzita Villas (Nazri's) 50 rooms  
Tel: 07-793244

Tioman Nature's Resort 14 rooms  
Tel: 07-792712

Sri Tioman Chalet 6 chalets  
Tel: 011-711256

Nipah Beach Resort 10 chalet  
Tel: 07-7910122 / 792308

Salang Indah 12 chalets  
Tel: 07-713137

Salang Damai House 13 chalet  
Tel: 07-791550

ABC Huts 25 Rooms

Pesona Island Resort 25 rooms  
Tel: 09-414213 / 09-513556

## How To Get There

### By Sea

The island is accessible by passenger boat services and fishing boat from Mersing and Tanjung Gemuk. It takes approximately 4 hours by boat from Mersing or Tanjung Gemuk to Tioman Island. Departure time are subject to the tides.

The return fare is about RM50.00.

Getting around the island is also possible with the sea bus although the time table may be somewhat erratic.

However the beach bars and chalets usually have information on when the next boat is due to leave; and tickets may also be purchased there.

The sea bus cost RM10.00 from the Berjaya Tioman Beach Resort to Salang.

### By Air

There are daily flights operating into Tioman from Singapore and Kuala Lumpur.

From Kuala Lumpur:

Pelangi Air operates from Kuala Lumpur to Tioman daily. The flight takes 1 hour and the fare is RM250.00. Pelangi Air also operates from Kuantan.

From Singapore:

Pelangi Air operate daily flights from Singapore. The flight time is 50 minutes.

Pelangi Air Sdn. Bhd.

18th Floor

Technology Resources Tower

Letter Box 55, 161B Jalan Ampang  
50450 Kuala Lumpur

Tel: General Line 03-2624453 / 54

Reservation 03-2624446 / 48

Fax: 03-2624515

For further information, please contact:

#### 1. The Tourist Centre

Mersing, Johor

Tel: 07-7991204

#### 2. Mersing Boat Association

Mersing, Johor

Tel: 07-7991222



### Car Parking Facilities:

Visitors may park their vehicles at the various parking areas managed by the Mersing Town Council and most island resort's operators near the jetty at Mersing. They are easily located and secured.

Fee: RM2.00 to RM3.00 per day/per vehicle.

On the mainland, are the splendid beaches of **Teluk Chempedak, Balok, Chendor** and **Cherating**. The fishing villages of **Beserah** is also a must.

**TELUK CEMPEDAK**, 5km from Kuantan town boasts of two resort hotels and has a range of facilities for sea sports such as sailing, surfing and water skiing. Some people however, prefer to just lie on the golden sand, soaking up the sun. The handicraft centre (Balai Karyaneka) offers visitors a delightful variety of local handicrafts – wood carvings, shell-craft, gold threaded songket materials, pandanus household items, Dara jade jewelry and other items and of course, batik!



### Where To Stay

The hotels at Teluk Chempedak offer accommodation ranging from the plush ambience of luxury rooms to the more understated comforts of less expensive accommodation. There are gourmet restaurants serving exotic cuisine and also coffee houses offering a variety of local fare and quick snacks, plus a host of recreational facilities.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Merlin Inn Resort Teluk Chempedak Kuantan Tel: 09-511388 Fax: 09-503001	104 rooms

Hyatt Kuantan 185 rooms  
Teluk Chempedak, Kuantan  
Tel: 09-525211 Fax: 09-507577

Hotel Pacific 48 rooms  
Jalan Bukit Ubi, Kuantan  
Tel: 09-511980  
Fax: 09-511979

### How To Get There

Many taxis ply the Kuantan – Teluk Chempedak route. The fare is as follows:

Kuantan – Teluk Chempedak  
RM3.00 (non-aircond taxis)  
RM5.00 (aircond taxis)

Kuantan Airport – Teluk Chempedak  
RM20.00



**Beserah** the fishing village 10km from Kuantan is famous for its salted fish. The water buffalo, generally an out-moded means of transport in other parts of the country, still maintains its usefulness here. See how they are used to transport fish from the beach to the processing plants.

Local handicrafts such as batik and shellcraft items are also available.

### Where To Stay

A nearby resort offers typically Malay-style wooden chalets right on the beach. The air-conditioned chalets are fully furnished, with bathrooms attached. Sightseeing tours are available by arrangement. The restaurant features Thai, Continental and Malaysian dishes and quaint little gift shop offers an array of souvenirs for sale.

For enquiries and reservations, please contact:

Gloria Maris Resort  
1/1402 Kg. Baru Beserah  
26100 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-587788

### How To Get There

Take a taxi from Kuantan town or from the airport. The fare is as follows:

Kuantan – Beserah  
RM5.00 (non-aircond taxis)  
RM10.00 (aircond taxis)

Kuantan Airport – Beserah  
RM20.00 (non aircond taxis)  
RM25.00 (aircond taxis)

At **BALOK**, 15km away from Kuantan are the beautiful golden sands, azure blue sea and gentle breezes whispering through the casuarinas of the Coral Beach Resort. This stretch of beach is a haven for windsurfing and of course for pure relaxation.

### Where To Stay

The Coral Beach Resort is Pahang's latest international class hotel. The wide sandy bay where the hotel is located is reputed to be one of the 10 best windsurfing spots in the world and the hotel offers a host of recreational and water sport activities.

For enquiries/reservations, please contact:

Coral Beach Resort  
Balok, Kuantan  
Tel: 09-587544 Fax:09-587543

Blue Horizon  
Batu 8 $\frac{1}{2}$  Jalan Kemaman,  
26100 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-588119

For a truly rustic experience of local life, try Le Village. This Beach Resort offers air-conditioned comfort within its kampung styled rooms and chalets. In addition to recreational and leisure facilities, the resort also caters for conferences and seminars.

For reservations, please contact:

Le Village  
Lot 1260, Sungai Karang  
26100 Beserah  
Kuantan  
Pahang  
Tel: 09-587900  
Fax: 09-587500

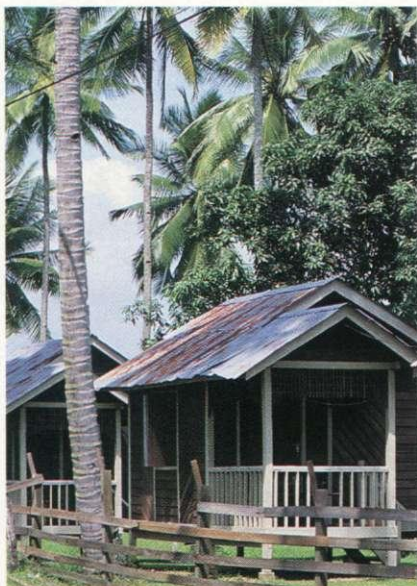




## How To Get There

The fare by taxi from Kuantan is approximately RM8.00 by non-aircond taxis and RM10.00 by air-cond taxis. Add RM10.00 for fares from Kuantan Airport.

**Chendor**, the famous beach where the turtles come up to nest at night, between May and September, is also a popular bathing spot.



At **CHERATING** about 47km north of Kuantan is Asia's first Club Mediterranee. The sun soaked golden beaches are excellent for a host of leisure activities. Foremost among its attractions is the rustic atmosphere in the kampungs whose friendly people usually play hosts to visitors. Stay at one of the inexpensive village huts and bask in the warm hospitality of a typical

rural kampung. Shop for local handi-crafts and see how nimble village maidens weave pandan leaves into mats, hats and bags.

## Where To Stay

The Club Mediterranee Resort and the Cherating Holiday Villa offer a range of accommodation facilities and a host of recreational facilities to tempt even the most discerning traveller to this heavenly retreat. Other accommodation are also available. Visitors are advised to check with the hotels and your travel agent for the current rate and additional information.

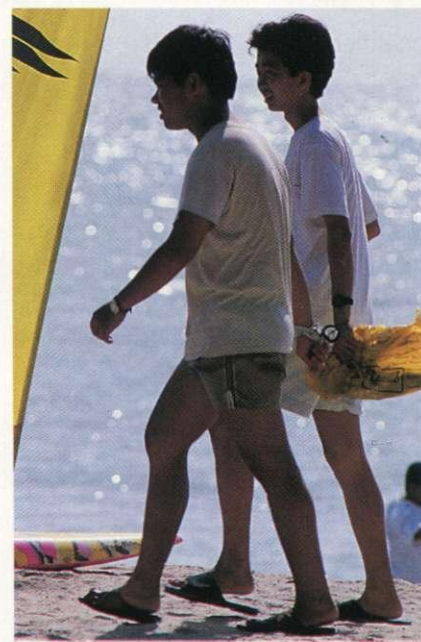
HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Cherating Holiday Villa	200 rooms/
Lot 1303, Mukim Sg. Karang	apartments
Cherating, Kuantan	
Tel: 09-439900 Fax: 09-507078	
The Legend Resort Cherating	152 rooms
Resort Cherating	
Lot 1290 Mukim Sg. Karang	
Cherating, Kuantan	
Tel: 09-439439 Fax: 09-439400	

Club Mediterranee  
Cherating Kuantan  
Tel: 09-513133

or

Holiday Villages of Malaysia  
Kuala Lumpur  
Tel: 03-2614599

326 rooms





Ombak Hotel 30 rooms  
Mukim Sg. Karang  
Cherating, Kuantan  
Tel: 09-439166/439188  
Fax: 03-439443

Impiana Resort Cherating 150 rooms  
KM 32 Jln. Kuantan/Kemaman  
26080 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-439000 / 03-2416233 (KL OFFICE)  
Fax: 09-439000

Le Village Beach Resort 64 rooms  
Lot 1260, Sungai Karang  
Beserah, 26100 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-587900  
Fax: 09-587899

Tanjung Gelang Hotel 45 rooms  
15km, Balok Beach  
26100 Kuantan  
Pahang  
Tel: 09-587254

Coral Beach Resort 162 rooms  
152, Sungai Karang  
Beserah, 26100 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-587544  
Fax: 09-587543

Hyatt Kuantan 185 rooms  
Telok Cempedak  
25050 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-501234  
Fax: 09-507577

Merlin Inn Resort Kuantan 104 rooms  
Peti Surat 46, Teluk Cempedak  
25700 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-511388  
Fax: 09-503001

At about 118km from Kuantan, **Lanjut Beach** in Rompin stretches several kilometres to the south-eastern coast of Pahang. Situated here is the **Lanjut Golf Resort**, regarded to be one of the best in the state. Visitors can also make



a day trip to one of the oldest jungles in the world – the **Endau-Rompin State Park**, just 65km. from Lanjut.

### Where To Stay

Lanjut Golden Beach 104 rooms  
Resort  
Kampung Lanjut  
26800 Kuala Rompin  
Tel: 09-445113

### How To Get There

Take a taxi from Kuantan town or from the airport. It costs RM20.00 by non-aircond taxis and RM27.00 by air-cond taxis. Add RM10.00 for fares from the airport.

Kuantan is accessible by air and road from many points within the country.

### By Bus

There are many express bus services from Kuala Lumpur, Johor Bharu, Kota Bharu and Kuala Terengganu to Kuantan.

#### Fares:

Kuala Lumpur – Kuantan:  
RM12.00 (aircond)

Johor Bharu – Kuantan:  
RM15.00 (aircond)

Kota Bharu – Kuantan:  
RM14.00 (non-aircond)

Kuala Terengganu – Kuantan:  
RM10.00 (aircond)



### By Taxi

Kuala Lumpur – Kuantan:  
RM20.00 per person  
RM100.00 per taxi (aircond)

Johore Bharu – Kuantan:  
RM25.00 per person  
RM120.00 per taxi (aircond)

Kota Bharu – Kuantan:  
RM25.00 per person  
RM120.00 per taxi (aircond)

Kuala Terengganu – Kuantan:  
RM15.00 per person  
RM80.00 per taxi (aircond)

### By Air

There are regular scheduled flights to Kuantan from Kuala Lumpur and

Singapore operated by Malaysia Airlines and Singapore Airlines respectively.

From Kuantan, there are taxis, plying the route to these beach resorts.

#### Fares:

Kuantan – Teluk Chempedak:  
RM4.00 per taxi (non-aircond)  
RM5.00 per taxi (aircond)

Kuantan – Beserah:  
RM5.00 per taxi (non-aircond)  
RM10.00 per taxi (aircond)

Kuantan – Cherating:  
RM20.00 per taxi (non-aircond)  
RM30.00 per taxi (aircond)

For further information, please contact:

#### MTPB (East Coast Region)

Kuala Terengganu  
2243, Ground Floor  
Wisma MCIS  
Jalan Sultan Abidin  
20000 Kuala Terengganu  
Terengganu  
Tel: 09-6221433 / 6221893  
Fax: 09-6221791

#### Pahang State Economic Development Corporation

15th Floor, Kompleks Teruntum  
Jalan Mahkota  
25000 Kuantan  
Tel: 09-5133026 / 5135566  
Fax: 09-5130510





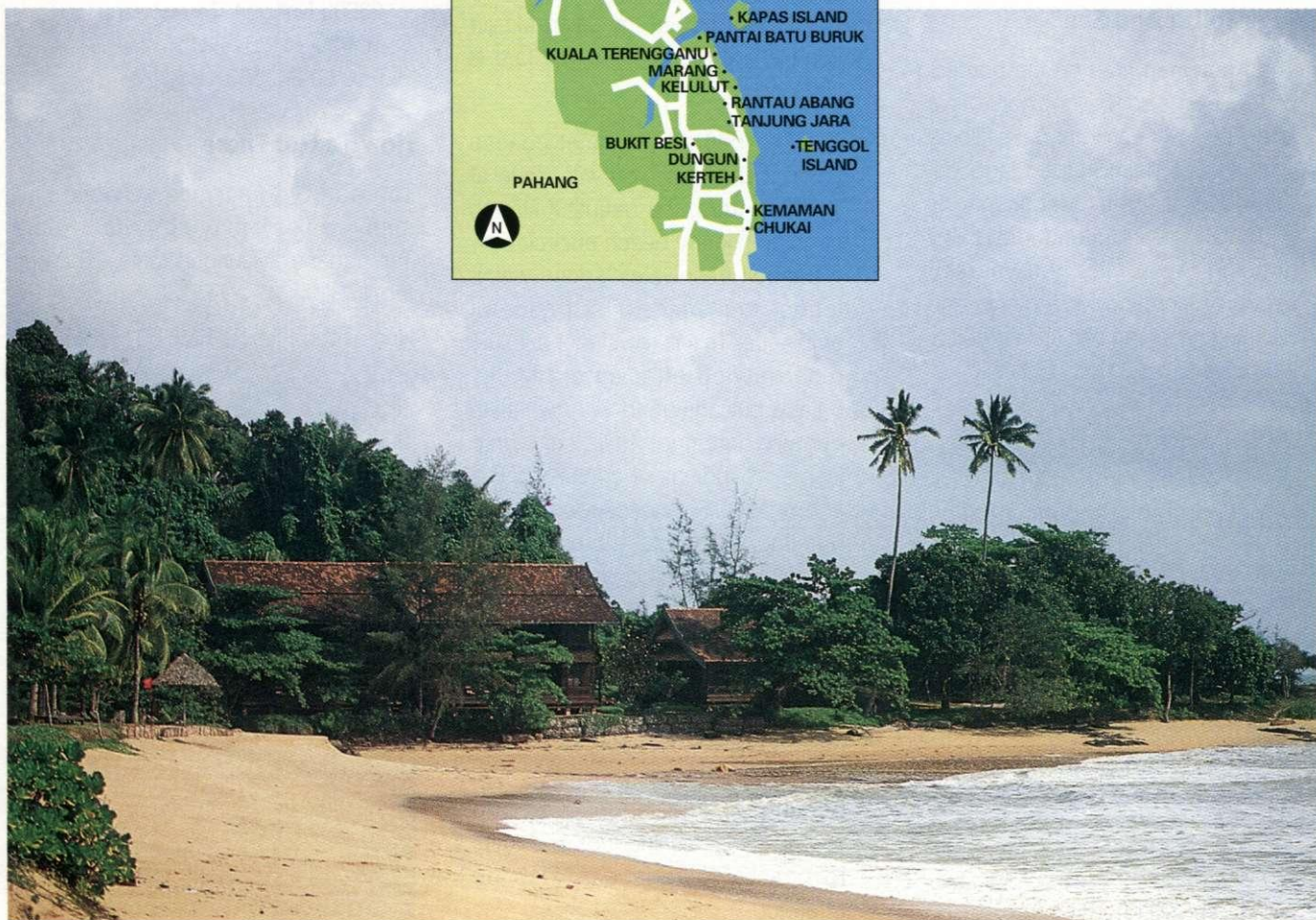
The magic of Terengganu begins the moment you drive into Kemaman with its pretty picture postcard fishing village scenery. This atmosphere of peace and tranquillity is heightened as you proceed along the exquisite shores – passing through idyllic fishing villages, dreamy seaside towns; past placid palm fringed lagoons and secluded bays perfect for swimming. Far out in

## TERENGGANU

### Tanjung Jara/Rantau Abang/ Pantai Batu Buruk/Tenggol/Kapas/ Perhentian/Redang Island



the waters of the South China Sea, the beautiful islands glint like jewels in the clear afternoon sun. People go about their daily chores with apparent ease, at their own unhurried pace – turning out beautiful pieces of handicraft. This is the land of the lilting Gamelan and the mesmerising 'Ulek Mayang' dance – a living testimony to the centuries old cultural heritage of Terengganu.







### Things To Do And See

- The **Kemaman** area on the borders of Pahang and Terengganu is a lovely area consisting of quiet fishing villages and palm fringed lagoons. The beach at Teluk Mengkuang is particularly beautiful and irresistibly enticing – you may find yourself suddenly stopping for a picnic and plunging headlong into the incredibly blue waters.

### Where To Stay

There are 2 hotels in Kemaman, providing comfortable accommodation. They are:

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Hotel Delamore K-353-355, Jalan Kampung Tengah 24000 Chukai Kemaman Tel: 09-591802 Fax: 09-592236	30 rooms
Murni Hotel K-312 Jalan Che Teng 24000 Kemaman Tel: 09-592366, 592386, 592398	40 rooms

### How To Get There

Kemaman is easily accessible by road from Kuantan in Pahang and also from Kuala Terengganu.

### By Bus

From Kuantan, take the Kemaman bus at the Bus Terminal at Jalan Besar. The fare is RM3.50.

From Kuala Terengganu, take the Kemaman bus at the Jalan Masjid Abidin Central Bus Station. The fare is RM5.25.

- Leaving behind the quiet coastal town of **Dungun**, you will arrive at **Tanjung Jara**, the beautiful stretch of golden sandy beach encircled by a tranquil freshwater lagoon which lends the place its peaceful ambience. This is the site of a luxury resort styled after an old Malay Palace but equipped with twentieth century amenities. It is set within lush surroundings of coconut palms and beautifully landscaped gardens bursting with profuse blooms. The serenity around you seem to cast a totally relaxed mood and you may be tempted to while the hours away just basking in the sun. But if you're not the one to remain inactive for long, there are the delights of swimming, windsurfing, boating, sailing, snorkelling and scuba diving. Fishing trips and tours to nearby islands can also be arranged.

### Where To Stay

The Tanjung Jara Beach Hotel provides 100 comfortable and luxuriously furnished rooms and a host of recreational facilities including a swimming pool and tennis courts.

For reservations/enquiries, please contact:

Tanjung Jara Beach Hotel  
8th Mile off Dungun  
23009 Dungun, Terengganu  
Tel: 09-841801 / 811  
Fax: 09-842653

### How To Get There

There are regular bus services and many taxis playing the Kuala Terengganu – Dungun route. The bus fare is RM4.20

Non-aircond taxi is RM6.00 per person.





- The small rocky island of **Tenggol Island**, 17km off Kuala Dungun is worth a visit. The only visitors here are fishermen, picnickers and naturalists who comes in search of the many interesting plants and animals found on the island. The abundance and variety of its reptile fauna makes it an exciting place for scientific study – the perfect outdoor laboratory. Reptiles aside, the western side of the island, with its beautiful aquamarine water, secluded beach of fine white sand against a backdrop of luxuriant forest clinging on steep slopes make it a most pleasant retreat for just lazing on the beach, swimming and quiet strolls.



There are accomodation facilities for visitors. Tours to the island may be arranged through the Tanjung Jara Beach Hotel. Alternatively, individual arrangements may also be made at the Dungun jetty. The fishermen would be willing to ferry you across for a nominal fee.

**Where To Stay**                      No of Rooms  
Tenggol Aqua Resort    11 rooms  
No. 8, Jalan Sungai Penaga  
23100 Dungun, Terengganu  
Tel: 09-861807 / 09-844862

- Back on the mainland, **Rantau Abang** beckons invitingly. This is one of the 6 beaches in the world where the giant leathery turtles come to nest each year between May and September. Watch these creatures come ashore to lay their eggs on these desolate beaches – a moving experience not to be missed. Quaint chalets are provided for accommodation. Visits to the Turtle Information Centre and the hatchery provide insights into the life and habits of this rare species.

#### Where To Stay

For reservations/enquiries, please contact:



Rantau Abang Visitor Centre  
13th Mile, Off Dungun  
23009 Terengganu  
Tel: 09-841533

Merantau Inn  
Kuala Abang  
23050 Dungun  
Terengganu  
Tel: 09-841131

#### How To Get There

Rantau Abang, approximately 60km south of Kuala Terengganu is accessible by bus and taxi.

#### By Bus

Take the Dungun bound bus at Kuala Terengganu's central bus station. The fare is RM4.20.

#### By Taxi

The taxi fare for the Kuala Terengganu – Rantau Abang sector is about RM6.00 per person.



- About 10km south of Kuala Terengganu is the fishing village of **Marang**, famous for its sweeping scenery of such idyllic natural beauty. The colourful fishing boats and elegantly carved boats moored on the sparkling waters of brilliant blue in the bright sunshine is the essence of many winning photographs.

### Where To Stay

In Marang, there are a number of accommodation facilities to suit the individual budget of visitors:

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Marang Resort & Safari's Lot No. 1, Jalan Dungun Kampung Pulau Kerengga 21600 Marang, Terengganu Tel: 09-6182588 Fax: 09-6182334	50 rooms
Mare Nostrum Beach Holiday Resort 313 Jalan Pantai 21600 Seberang Marang Terengganu Tel: 09-6181433	19 rooms 7 chalets
Beach House (Anguillia) 20km, Kg. Rhu Muda Seberang Marang, Marang, 21600 Kuala Terengganu Tel: 09-6181322	40 rooms
Marang Guest House Lot 1367-1368, Kampung Paya Bukit Batu Merah, 21600 Marang Tel: 09-6182277	16 rooms



- Marang is also the take off point for **Kapas Island**, about half an hour away by boat. The waters around the island is home to an infinite variety of corals, seashells, fish and turtles. On land, there are the famous 'Murai Batu' – a song bird which has the enviable reputation of having 23 different melodies at its command.

The relative isolation of its beautifully spotless beaches, the relaxing laid back atmosphere where life proceeds at your own individual pace, makes this another favourite retreat of swaying palms and casuarinas whispering in the wind where one can spend happy hours of swimming and snorkelling.

### Where To Stay

The Primula Kapas Island Village Resort provides 40 chalets for visitors.

For bookings/enquiries, contact:

Primula Village Resort  
Tel: 011-971400

### How To Get There

It is accessible by a 1/2 hour's boat ride from Marang. The fare is RM15.00 per person (return).

It costs approximately RM180.00 to hire a boat.

The Pantai Primula Hotel at Kuala Terengganu also organises tour packages for day excursions and fishing trips to Kapas Island.

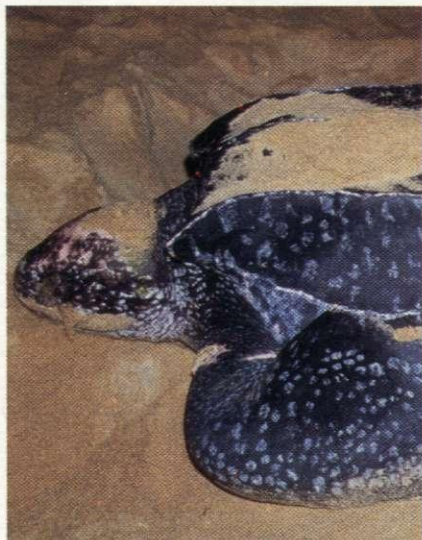
Visitors may park their cars at the jetty area in Marang. No fee is levied.

- Kuala Terengganu has many splendid beaches to boast of **Chendering, Batu Buruk, Pantai Air Tawar, Kelulut, Marina** and



**Teluk Dalam.** Of these, two notable ones are Chendering and Pantai Batu Buruk.

- **Chendering** is a hauntingly beautiful beach of tall coconut palms and fine white sand which inspired the composition of an equally beautiful song singing praises of its captivating charms.
- **Pantai Batu Buruk** is located within the town of Kuala Terengganu and is a lovely stretch of golden sandy beach amidst a casuarina wooden grove, perfect for strolling and swimming.



- A resort hotel located along this stretch provides facilities for a host of leisure activities such as snorkelling, water skiing and windsurfing. There are also facilities for canoeing and boating.

- If you get tired of swimming, join organised tours to the beautiful off-shore islands. Snorkelling in the warm, crystal clear waters of the seas around the islands, going after the fishes that dart among the colourful coral gardens, is an experience you would not easily forget.

### Where To Stay

The Pantai Primula Hotel provides 264 luxuriously appointed rooms. Facilities include restaurant, a shopping arcade and a swimming pool. The hotel also organises excursions to the offshore islands.

### How To Get There

#### By Bus

The Kuala Lumpur – Kuala Terengganu Express buses operate regular schedules from the Federal Capital to Kuala Terengganu and the fare on air-conditioned buses is RM21.70. Non-air-conditioned buses charge RM17.10.

Kuala Terengganu is also accessible by express buses from Singapore. The fare on the air-conditioned buses is RM23.00.

#### By Taxi

From Kuala Lumpur, the fare to Kuala Terengganu is:

RM140.00 (non-aircond) per taxi

RM170.00 (air-cond) per taxi

- Two other enchanting islands in the sun beckon from across the sea. **Redang Island**, about 3–4 hours by boat from the Kuala Terengganu jetty, is relatively uninhabited except for a fishing village built on stilts over the sea. Its surrounding waters support a variety of marine life – hard and soft corals of every hue; anemones and colourful clams. The crystal clear waters makes this an ideal spot for swimming, snorkelling and scuba diving.

Its idyllic beaches of soft white sand and its rustic atmosphere – unspoilt and unsophisticated gives it the appearance of being untouched.

### How To Get There

Pantai Primula Hotel organises tours to the island.

A number of tour agencies also organise camping trips on Redang Island.

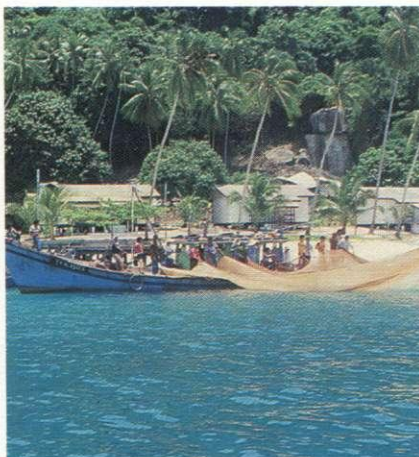
- **Perhentian Island**, as its name suggests, is a stopover point for fishermen as well as migratory birds. It actually consists of two islands – Perhentian Kecil Island and Perhentian Besar Island. The former is secluded and isolated with minimum facilities for tourists. The latter has been carefully developed to cater for visitors.

Accommodation is simplistic but practical and comfortable in



thatched chalets and A-shaped huts. Most chalets do not have private baths and visitors share common bathing facilities.

- Whatever is lacking in accommodation is compensated by the breathtaking scenery, crystal clear water, rich and colourful marine life; and the cool breezes from the sea.
- The atmosphere is casual and easy going and verandahs provide areas for lazing away the days. The food is simple but the fish is freshly caught. Altogether it is an idyllic retreat.
- Arrangements can be made for round island cruises and boats can be hired to look for tiny bays and secluded coves in which to swim to your heart's content.
- The surrounding coral ringed waters are ideal for snorkelling and scuba



diving. Landlubbers, need not despair. Even if you can't swim like a fish, you can still wade in till chest level and then poke your head into the waters to discover the wonders of the underwater world.

### Where To Stay

The Perhentian Island Resort offers ample and comfortable accommodation ranging from chalets and they have 31 chalets, 2 dormitory units and 23 camp sites

For reservations/enquiries, please contact:

Perhentian Island Resort  
25th Floor, Menara Promet  
Jalan Sultan Ismail  
50250 Kuala Lumpur  
Tel: 03-2480811  
Fax: 03-2418463

### How To Get There

From Kuala Terengganu, take a taxi to the fishing port of Kuala Besut.

The journey takes approximately 1 hour and cost per taxi is RM40.00.

From the Fisheries Complex at Kuala Besut take a boat for Perhentian Island. The boat ride takes about 1 to 1½ hours and the boat fare is about RM30.00 per person return.

For further information, please contact:

#### MTPB (East Coast Region)

2243 Ground Floor  
Wisma MCIS  
Jalan Sultan Zainal Abidin  
20000 Kuala Terengganu  
Tel: 09-6221433 / 6221893  
Fax: 09-6221791



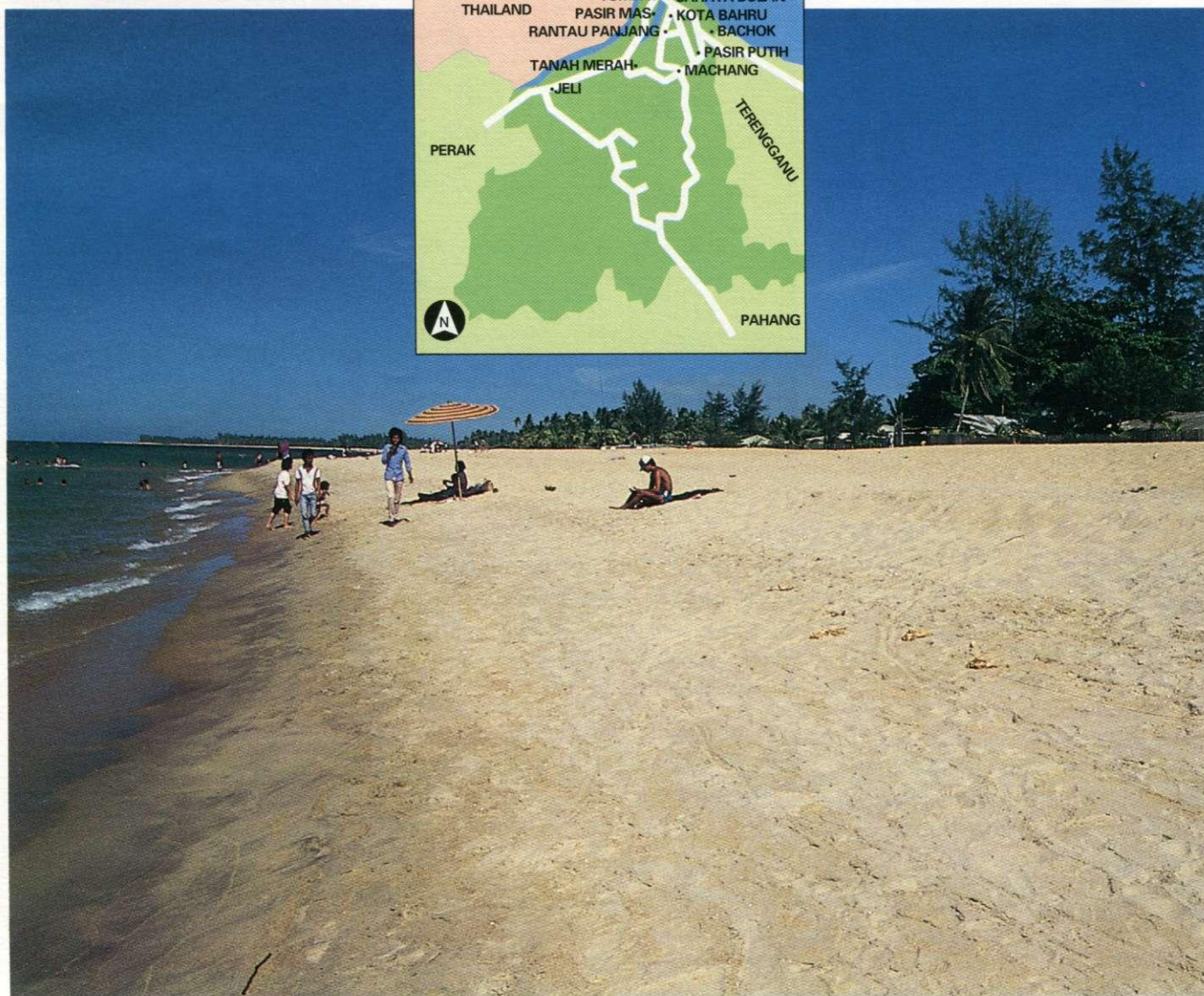


The beaches of Kelantan have a poetic ring to their names which enhance the lyrical beauty of their surroundings. There is a certain kind of romance in the air – invoked by the gentle waves lapping the golden shores and the tall

## KELANTAN

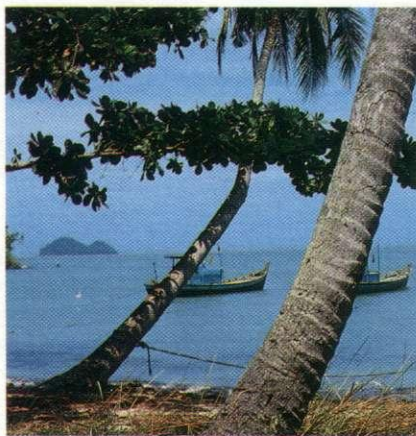
### Pantai Cahaya Bulan/ Pantai Sabak

coconut palms and wispy casuarinas whispering in the wind. The intricately carved prows of the fishing boats, silhouetted against the blue horizon lend the fishing touches to an exquisite picture.





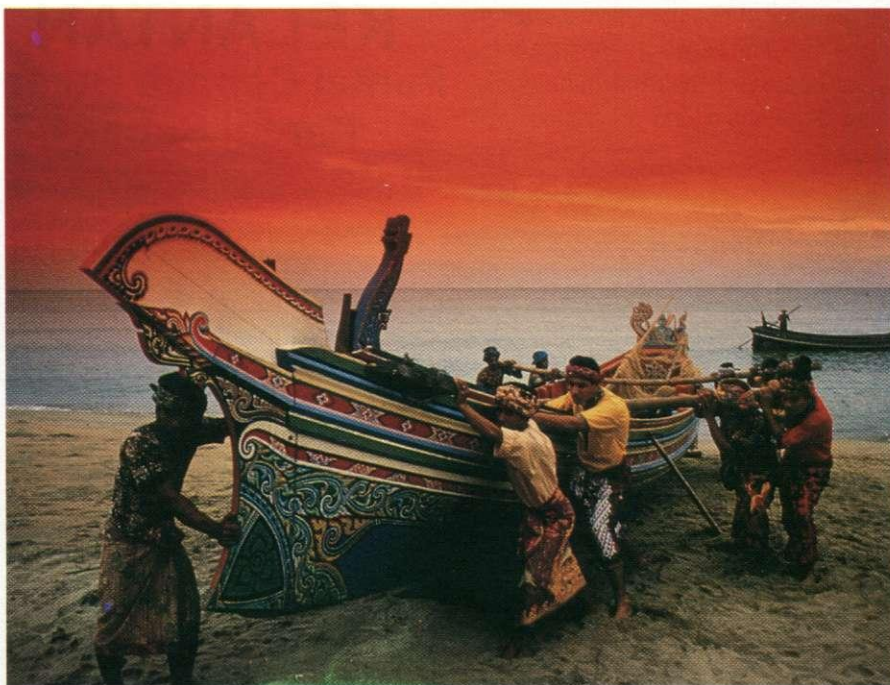
- The pervasive mood of quiet tranquillity on the beaches that hug the coastline invite a corresponding irresistible urge to just flop down on the soft sand or indulge in quiet strolls along the beach.



- **Pantai Cahaya Bulan** (the Beach of Cahaya Bulan) is situated 10km from Kota Bharu. Standing on warm golden sands with clear blue sea sparkling in the brilliant sunshine and tall palms swaying gracefully in the wind, induces a kind of langour that makes you want to just lie back and simply relax. The only other activity you might have enough energy for, is solitary strolls along the deserted beach or swimming languidly in the silky waters. Amidst such exquisite beauty, it would be hard not to fall in love!

### How To Get There

The SKMK bus (No. 10) operates regular services to Pantai Cahaya



Bulan at 25 minutes intervals from the terminal at Central Market Garong.

Another beach about the same distance from Kota Bharu, is **Pantai Dasar Sabak**. This was where the Japanese landed in December 1941, before making their way down south towards Singapore.

Visit the picturesque fishing village and take in the sights and sounds of activity in a rustic Malay Kampung by the sea.

Approximately 58km from Kota Bharu, near the fishing village of Semerak is another enchanting seaside haven – **Pantai Bisikan Bayu** (Beach of the Whispering Breeze). The secluded

beach is fringed by casuarinas and lush tropical greenery.

Lie in the cool shades of the trees and let the whisper of the breeze in your ears lull you into restful slumber. The crystal clear water is cool and inviting; offering a range of activities for you to indulge in-swimming, snorkelling and scuba diving. Or try your hand at fishing and maybe bring back a fresh catch for dinner.

### How To Get There

Take the SKMK bus (No. 3) at the Terminal at Jalan Padang Garong to Pasir Putih. From Pasir Putih take the Kuala Besut bound bus (No. 96) to





Pantai Dalam Rhu. Stop at Semerak and about a 15 minute's walk from the mainroad or take a taxi from Kota Bharu.

- **Pantai Irama** (Beach of Melody), 25km from Kota Bharu is another beach whose exquisite beauty has inspired such lyricism in the choice of names. Its clean, white sands and wispy casuarina groves make it a favourable place for camping and picnicking. Lying down amidst such serene tranquillity, you will hear the recurrent melody of the surf pounding on the shore.



The SKMK bus (Nos. 2A/2B) operates regular services to Pantai Irama at half hourly intervals, from the station at Jalan Padang Garong or take a taxi from Kota Bharu.

- At **Kuala Besar**, 15km from Kota Bharu is yet another fishing village for you to explore at leisure. Walk among the houses and see the friendly fishermen at work mending their nets or repairing their boats. Down the beach are rows of fish drying in the bright sunshine.

The SKMK bus (No. 28) operates regular services to Kuala Besar





every 25 minutes from its terminal near the Central Market.

### Where To Stay

There are a number of hotels in town offering a range of accommodation facilities. Chalets are also available at Pantai Cahaya Bulan for those who cannot tear themselves away from its charms.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Perdana Resort	120 rooms
Pantai Cahaya Bulan	
15350 Kota Bharu	
Tel: 09-7735011/773300	
Fax: 09-7739980	

P.C.B. Resort 50 rooms  
Pantai Cahaya Bulan  
P.O. Box 131, 15710 Kota Bharu  
Tel: 09-7732307/7732604  
Fax: 09-7732605

Long House Beach Motel 16 rooms  
Pantai Cahaya Bulan, 15350 Kota Bharu  
Tel: 09-7731090

H.B. Village 24 rooms  
Pantai Cahaya Bulan, 15350 Kota Bharu  
Tel: 09-7734993

Noor Chalet 5 rooms  
Lot. 57, Jalan Kuala Pak Amat  
Pantai Cahaya Bulan, 15350 Kota Bharu

Desa Inn 10 rooms  
Lot. 29, Kg. Baru  
Pantai Cahaya Bulan, 15350 Kota Bharu  
Tel: 09-7487857

### How To Get There

#### By Air

Kota Bharu is about 45 minutes by air from Kuala Lumpur and Penang by regular scheduled flights by Malaysia Airlines.

#### By Train

Train service from Kuala Lumpur to Wakaf Bharu station which is 3km from Kota Bharu and return is available daily.

For enquiries, please contact:

KTM (Traffic Division)

Kota Bharu

Tel: 09-7196986/9666168/9666169

#### By Road

From Penang, take the Grik – Jeli Highway to Kota Bharu.

From Kuala Lumpur, take the Kuala Lipis – Gua Musang highway or the Kuala Lumpur – Karak Highway to Kuantan, Kuala Terengganu and Kota Bharu.

There are also regular bus services plying the major cities – Kota Bharu route.

For further information, please contact:

1. **Tourist Information Centre**  
Jalan Sultan Ibrahim  
Kota Bharu, Kelantan  
Tel: 09-7485534 / 7483543

2. **MTPB (East Coast Region)**  
2243, Ground Floor, Wisma MCIS  
Jalan Sultan Zainal Abidin  
20000 Kuala Terengganu  
Tel: 09-6221433 / 6221893  
Fax: 09-6221791



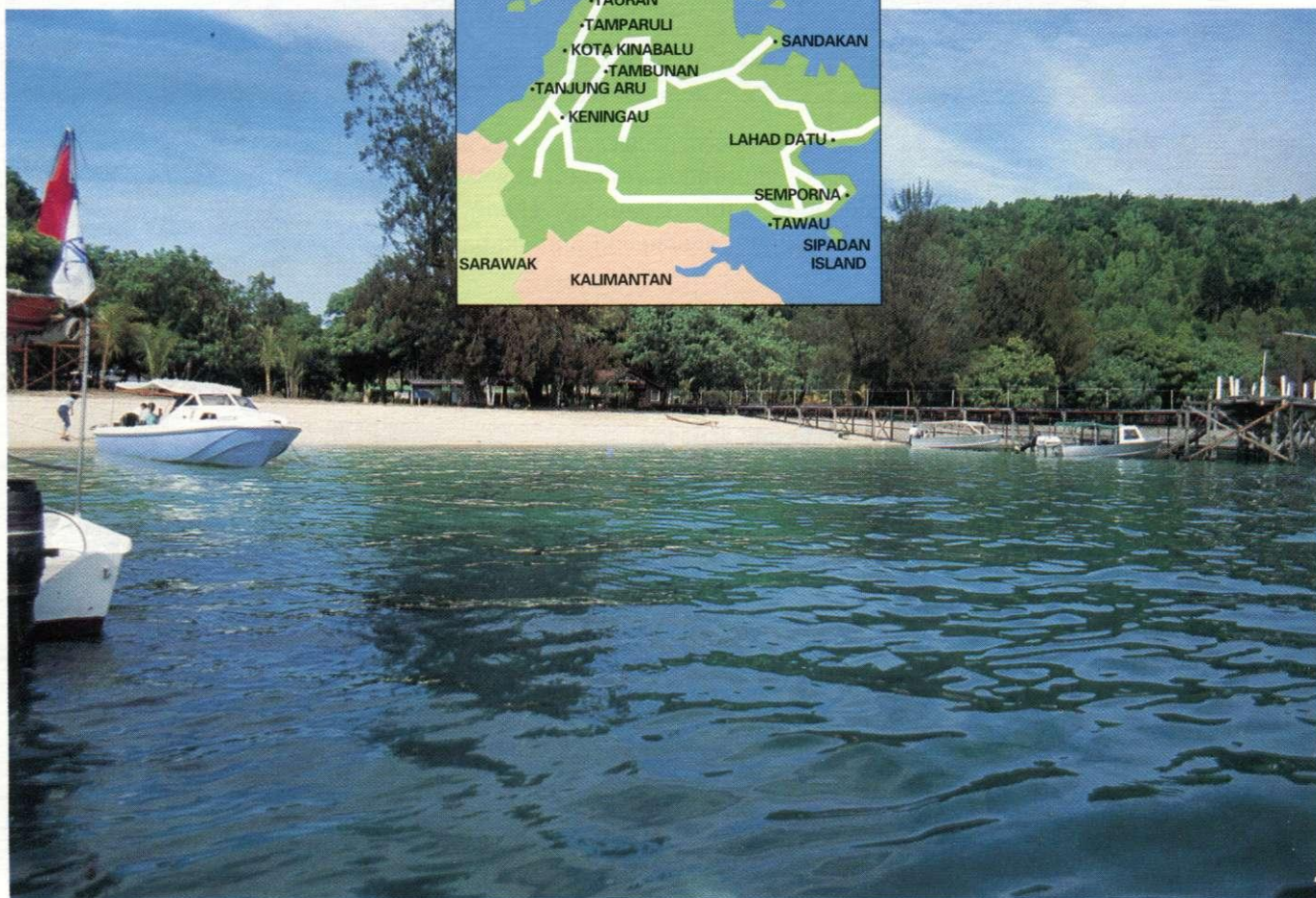
Sabah's claim to fame is usually associated with the majestic and sacred Mt. Kinabalu and all the images of heady adventure that come with it. The variety of flora and fauna that abounds in the mountain Park has received wide attention as has the glorious thrill of conquering its lofty peaks. The many ethnic groups that make up its colourful and diverse population have likewise taken centre stage. Linger in the background

## SABAH

### Tunku Abd. Rahman Park/ Turtle Islands/Sipadan Island/ Tanjung Aru/ Pulau Layang-Layang

however, waiting to receive just acclaim, are the enchanting little island groups lying off its coastal waters. Uninhabited and untouched, these islands are perfect little hideaways for the 'get away from it all' holiday of your lifetime.

The next time you visit Sabah, venture away from the well trodden path, and savour the unique experience of trying a holiday with a difference!







### Things To Do And See

- **Tanjung Aru**, located 15 minutes from Kota Kinabalu is a good place to start. Bask on the ivory toned sands or lie down in the cool shade of the casuarinas and coconut palms. The sparkling waters offer tantalising delights for the more energetic-boating, water skiing, windsurfing, snorkelling and scuba diving. The Marina at the Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort charts boats for deep sea fishing and yachting.
- Stroll along the beach and see the fishermen netting their catch by the sea. Linger awhile and observe the ease with which such huge nets are cast with amazing grace.

### Where To Stay

The beautiful 500-room Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort offers luxuriously

appointed accommodation. It boasts a very comprehensive marina with facilities for boating, skiing, windsurfing, snorkelling and scuba diving.

For reservations/enquiries, please contact:

Shangri-La's  
Tanjung Aru Resort  
Lock Bag 174  
88744 Kota Kinabalu  
Tel: 088-225800  
Fax: 088-217155

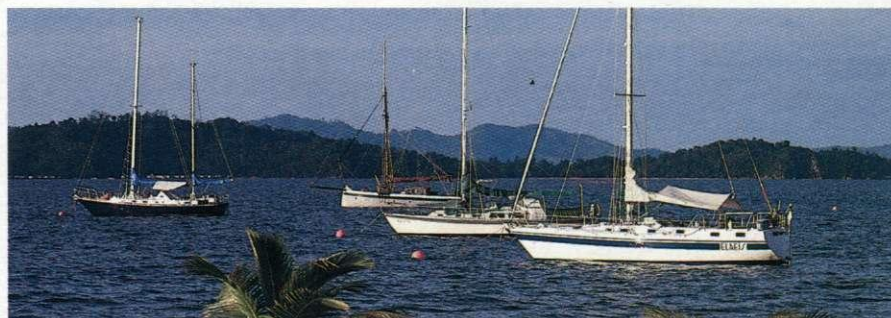
500 rooms

### How To Get There

Kota Kinabalu is accessible from Kuala Lumpur and other major cities within the region by regular scheduled flights.

Tanjung Aru is a mere 15 minute's drive away from Kota Kinabalu.

- Treat yourself to the exquisite luxury of spending a fun-filled day among the bewitchingly lovely sea creatures at Sabah's Marine Park. The **Tunku Abdul Rahman Park** consists of five hauntingly beautiful





islands in the sun. These islands – **Gaya Island, Sapi Island, Mamutik Island, Manukan Island** and **Sulug Island** – are about 10–25 minutes by speedboat from Kota Kinabalu.

- The beaches endless stretches of fine white sand invite leisurely picnics and endless hours of sun-bathing. The crystal clear water is ideal for swimming, snorkelling and scuba diving. The coral reefs surrounding these islands are filled with a veritable treasure trove of colourful marine life. Water skiing and windsurfing are also among some of the more popular activities here. Lovers of the great outdoors would find this a perfect spot for pitching up tent although it is necessary to first obtain the permission from:

Sabah Parks  
Tel: 088-211881  
Fax: 088-211585

### How To Get There

Ferry service (long boat) is available at RM20.00/person (return). Each long boat can accommodate 10 people and the boat service is operated by the Marina at Shangri La's Tanjung Aru Resort. It leaves the Marina jetty at every one hour.

The fares from Kota Kinabalu to Manukan Island is RM10.00 per person (one way) and from Kota Kinabalu to Sapi Island/Gaya Island is RM12.00 per person (one way).

The charter fare for the long boat is RM100.00 per hour to Manukan Island/ Mamutik Island only, and the charter fare by speed boat to Manukan Island/ Mamutik Island is RM120.00 per hour. This arrangements can be made with the Marina Office, 'Shangri-La's Tanjung Aru Resort. Tel: 088-214215, 232721.

### Where To Stay

There are 20 units of chalets at Manukan Island with 2 bedrooms, each, accommodating 4 people and the rooms are air conditioned. There are no kitchen and cooking facilities available and only coffee/tea sets and electric kettle are provided in the chalets.



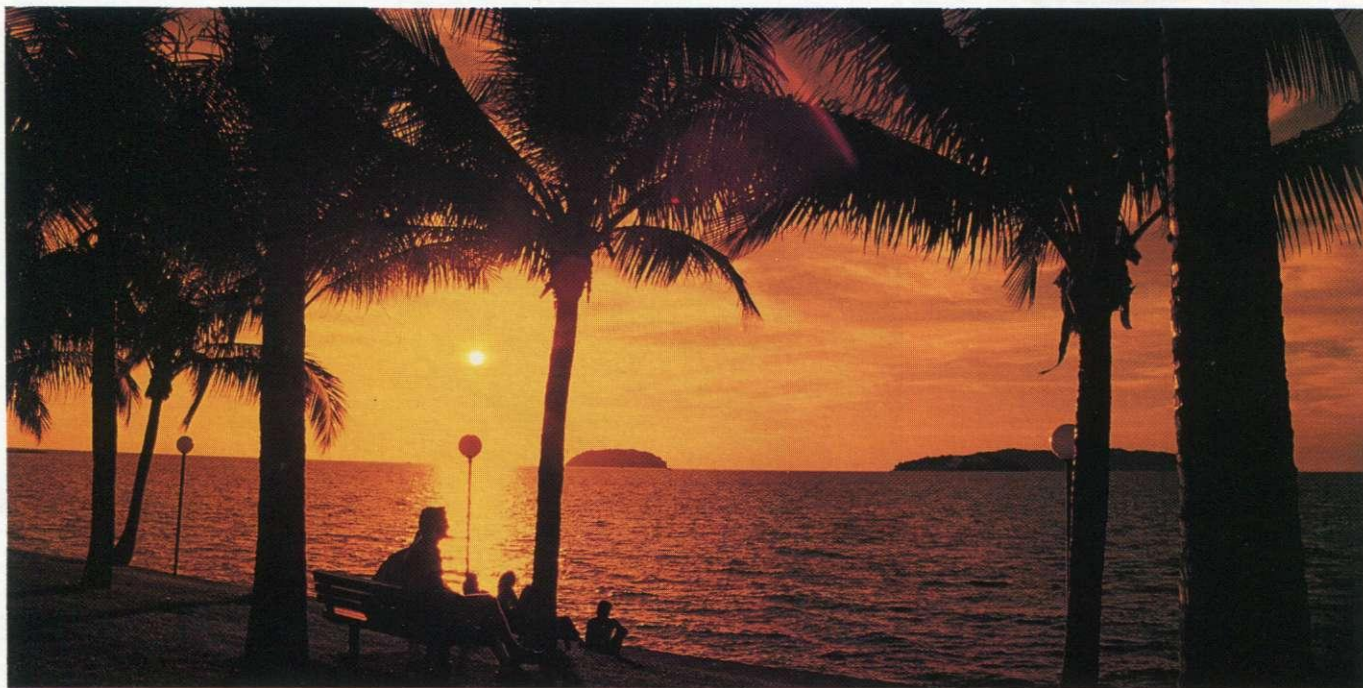


A refrigerator is provided to store fresh food. There is a restaurant that serves Eastern & Western food. It operates daily from 7am to 9pm.

Beddings are provided, such as pillows, blankets, bedsheets and mattress.

On Mamutik Island, a 3-bed-room rest house, accommodating 8 people is available, complete with kitchen facilities, air-conditions and beddings. There is no shop or restaurant and one has to bring their own food as cooking utensils are also provided.

**Pulau Tiga Park**, approximately 48km. south of Kota Kinabalu and Tunku Abdul Rahman Park comprises three





islands rich in luxuriant plant life and a variety of animal life. It was gazetted as a National Park in 1987. The coral reefs which fringe part of Pulau Tiga Park are easily accessible and contains some species not found in the reefs on the west coast.

The island is being developed as a research centre and no special facilities exist for tourists. Visitors bring their own food and camping equipment.

However, a resthouse is available with 2 rooms and can accommodate a maximum of 6 persons at one time. The rate is RM 30.00/person. For camping, permission must first be obtained from:

Ranger-in-charge  
c/o Sabah Parks  
1st Floor, Lot 1-3, Block K

Sinsuran Shopping Complex  
P.O. Box No. 10626  
88806 Kota Kinabalu  
Sabah, Malaysia  
Tel: 088-211811  
Fax: 088-211585

### How To Get There

From Kota Kinabalu, drive 140km south to Kuala Penyu at the tip of the Klias Peninsula. The islands are 18km away and about 45 minutes by boat.

- **The Turtle Islands** which consists of **Selingaan Island, Bakkungaan**

**Island, Kechil Island and Gulisaan Island** are located off the north eastern coast of Sabah. They are about 2-3 hours by boat from the town of Sandakan. These islands are famed for the green and Hawksbill turtles which abound in the surrounding seas and come ashore to nest on the beaches all year round. The crystal like quality of the waters and the clean unspoilt beaches make this a favourite spot for swimming and picnicking.

### How To Get There

Fly to Sandakan from Kota Kinabalu. Visitors have to charter speed boat. Presently, Wildlife Expeditions Sdn Bhd is providing transportation to these





islands. Their boats are licenced by Marine Department to carry passengers and are fully insured.

Speed boat hire (return trip)

March – Oct: RM70.00 per pax  
(min 3 pax) or  
RM210.00/boat

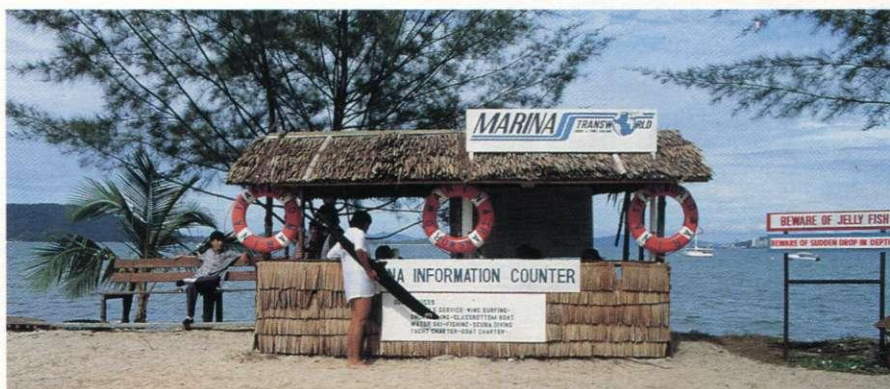
Nov – Feb: RM100.00 per pax  
(mix 3 pax) or  
RM300.00/boat

### Where To Stay

Only Selingaan Island has been developed to cater for tourism. Three chalets have been built with two having maximum accommodation capacity for 12 persons while another can only accommodate 4 persons.

The big chalet has 4 rooms each (2 big rooms and 2 small rooms). The bigger rooms can accommodate 4 persons each, and the smaller one can accommodate 2 persons each. Number of visitors staying at any one time is limited to 20.

The chalets are fully furnished with mattress, pillows, towels, linen, cooking utensils, plates, cooking gas, cutlery, refrigerator, lighting and water is provided. However, water supply is dependent on rain. During prolonged drought condition, chalet operations may ceased. Visitors have to bring their own food. Picnic tables with seat and barbeque stands are also provided. Permission to visit the Park must be obtained from:



Ranger-in-charge  
c/o Sabah Parks  
1st Floor, Lot 1-3, Block K  
Sinsuran Shopping Complex  
P.O. Box 10626  
88806 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah  
Malaysia  
Tel: 088-211811, 011-810636  
Fax: 088-211585

- Another gem of an island of Sabah's beautiful coastline is the oceanic

island of **Sipadan Island**, located some 30km off Semporna in the South East of Sabah. The beaches are totally unspoilt and the atmosphere one of quiet tranquillity. This is truly a most beautiful underwater haven – the variety of its marine life clearly visible through the clear aquamarine waters. The luxuriant growth of multi-coloured corals glint like jewels in the sun.





Fishes of every imaginable hue flit among the hard and soft coral gardens. Lobsters and turtles also inhabit these waters.

Sipadan promises glorious hours of rapturous wonder among its underwater treasures.

Accommodation facilities are available on this island.

### How To Get There

Fly from Kota Kinabalu to Tawau. From Tawau take a coach to Semporna. Then its a 30km sea journey to Sipadan Island in the Celebes Sea by boat.

- **Pulau Layang-Layang** is located approximately 170 nautical miles Northwest of Kota Kinabalu. The island is about 7km long and 5km wide (area: 15 acres) surrounded by reefs and lagoons with relatively calm waters. The island at the Eastern end of the atoll is home to

thousands of migratory birds. It is a paradise for divers, anglers, snorklers and bird watchers.

### Where To Stay

Pulau Layang-Layang has adequate accomodation. It has 15 standard and 2 VIP Chalets.

### How To Get There

There are two ways to reach Pulau Layang-Layang by helicopter or cruise boat. Duration by helicopter is 2 hours flight and cruise ship is 16 hours from Kota Kinabalu.

### Tour Packages

A number of operators organise cruises or dive tours to these island and it might be more convenient to join one of these. The tour price usually includes rental of equipment and the services of professional guides in

addition to accommodation, meals and transportation. There is also the added advantage of knowing yourself to be in the hands of people who are knowledgeable about the area and various dive spots.

For further Information, please contact:

#### MTPB Sabah (Regional office)

Ground Floor

No. 1, Jalan Sagunting

Wisma Wing Onn Life,

88000 Kota Kinabalu

Sabah

Tel: 088-211732 / 242064 / 248698

Fax: 088-241764

#### Sabah Tourism Promotion Corporation

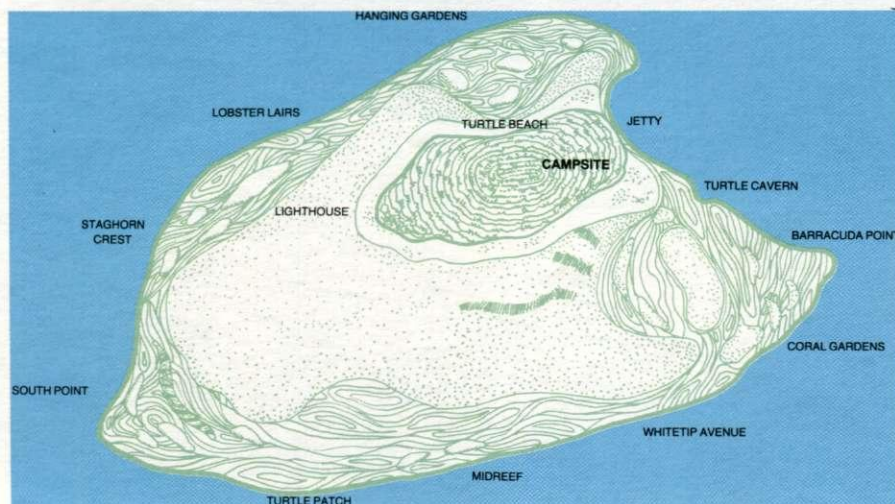
Beg Berkunci 112

88999 Kota Kinabalu

Sabah

Tel: 088-218620

Fax: 088-212075





Sarawak, land of the hornbills, of mighty rivers meandering through dense rainforests; of majestic mountains shrouded in mists and massive caves hiding secrets of long ago. Tales of adventure, piracy, head-hunting and romance have contributed to the magical allure of Sarawak. In the longhouses along the rivers of the interior, its multivarious ethnic groups practice their age old

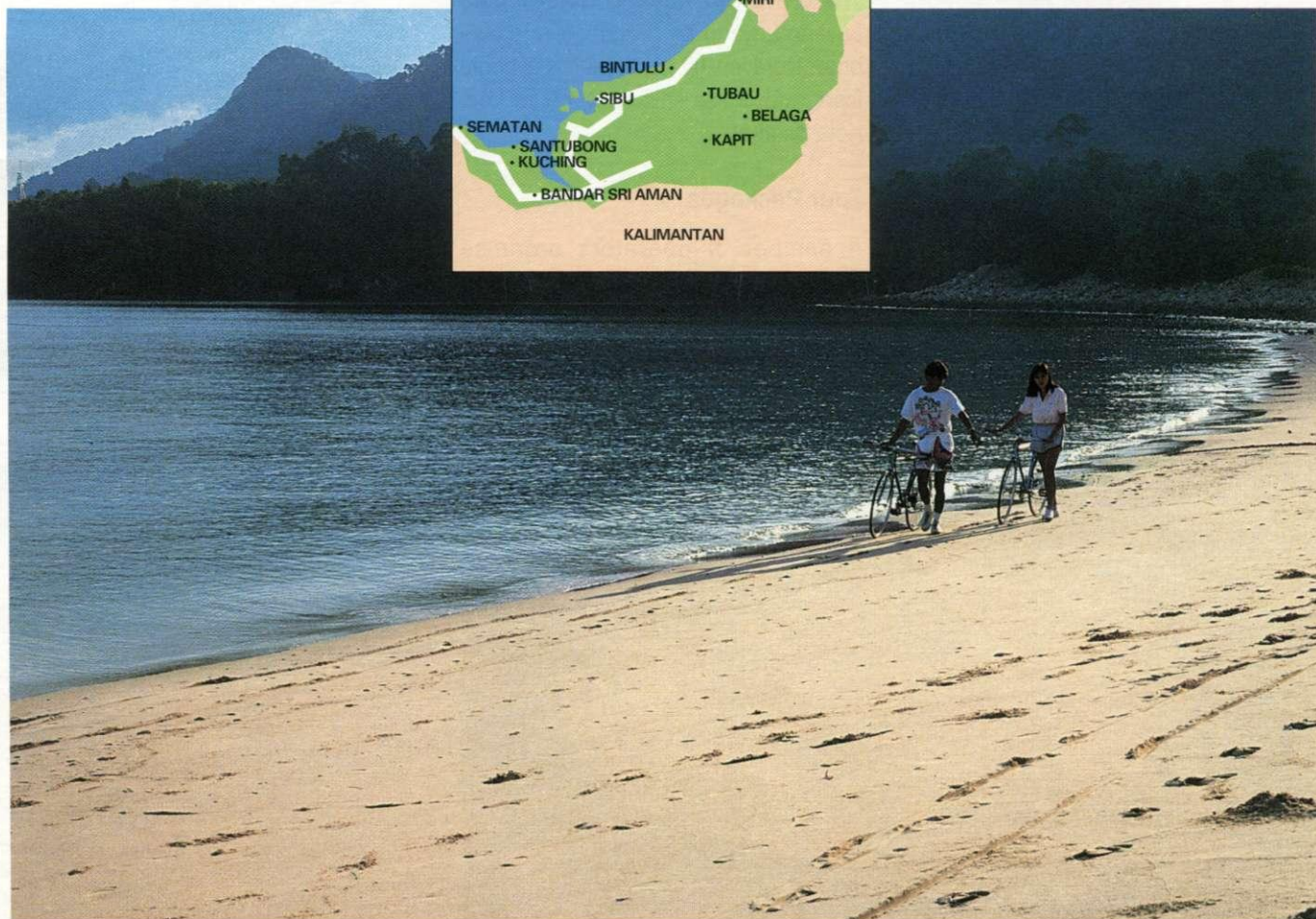
## SARAWAK

### Santubong/Teluk Bandung/ Damai Beach/Siar/Sematan/ Pantai Penyok/Bandong



customs and traditions. Begin your holiday with the ultimate adventure – a safari through the mysterious jungles and the once in a lifetime experience of a night spent with the friendly occupants of a bamboo longhouse in the wilds.

Then, head for the sunshine, the shimmering sands and the deep blue seas for fun and adventure of another kind.





## Things To Do And See

**Santubong**, a picturesque fishing village about 35km from the capital city of Kuching, boasts some of the finest beaches in the state.

Nestled within a private enclave in the shadow of the mist shrouded Mt. Santubong, is the paradise inspired Holiday Inn Damai Beach Resort. The surroundings are cloaked in an ethereal kind of beauty and the aquamarine waters of the South China Sea warm and inviting.

- A short walk from the hotel lies the **Sarawak Cultural Village (SCV)**. The village, spread over 6.8ha, is referred to as a 'living museum' by reason of the fact that people live in it. The Sarawak Cultural Village boasts seven ethnic houses: Bidayuh longhouse, Iban longhouse, Penan hut, Orang Ulu longhouse, Melanau rumah tinggi, Malay house, and a Chinese farm house. There's a lake in the centre of the village, representing the propensity of Sarawakians to build their dwellings on river banks and on the coast.
- Relax on the sandy cove of **Teluk Bandung**, fronting the hotel and soak up an enviable tan.
- There is a host of recreational facilities to fill your days with fun and excitement. Enjoy the thrills and spills of water-skiing, windsurfing and canoeing in the waters of the



cave. Other popular pursuits include snorkelling, catamaran sailing and fishing.

## Where To Stay

The attractive and spaciouly laid out Holiday Inn Damai Beach Resort provides 202 luxurious rooms and a host of recreational facilities. For reservations/enquiries, please contact:

Holiday Inn Damai Beach Resort  
Tel: 084-411777

- **Salang Island** – a tropical paradise with white sandy beaches & crystal clear waters perfect for snorkelling. The island is uninhabited – the perfect holiday hideout. The coral reefs lie close to the shore and colourful little fishes may be glimpsed weaving through the corals. The island is also a popular nesting place for turtles.
- **Siar Beach** about 90km from Kuching with its secluded bays and inlets and interesting rock formations. There is also Sematan Beach,

a popular weekend retreat of white sandy beaches and glittering blue sea.

- **Sematan Beach** 115km from Kuching of **Pantai Penyok** and **Pantai Bandung** – perfect for swimming, snorkelling and other water sport activities.
- Of course there is more to Sarawak than just its beaches.
- Your stay in this land of adventure would not be complete without a peek into some of the most fascinating caves in the world. The limestone pinnacles of Gunung Mulu are a sight to behold, as are the massive caverns and awesome stalagmites and stalagmites within its deep recesses. The great caves of Niah, home to the homo sapiens 40,000 years ago recently revealed its secrets. Among the artifacts uncovered here are various tools of stone, bone and iron. Prehistoric drawings also adorn the interior walls.



- Cruise upriver and visit the long-houses of the Ibans. These warm and friendly people are only too happy to shower you with their hospitality and treat you to an extravaganza of tribal dances.

- If you are on the lookout for souvenirs, Kuching is the place for you. It offers a vast variety of handicraft items – woodcarvings, beadwork, bamboo and rattan products, handwoven cloth, hats, baskets, sleeping mats and pottery, crafted in the distinctively unique designs peculiar to each ethnic group.

These items may be purchased at the Sunday open market, bazaars or in the more modern shopping complexes. Antique and curio shops also stock an interesting variety of collector items.

## Where To Stay

There are ample accommodation facilities for the visitor and these range from inexpensive and comfortable hotels to the more upmarket international class hotels. Wherever you choose to stay, you can be assured of getting a warm welcome and generous hospitality.

HOTEL	NO. OF ROOMS
Aurora Hotel	84 rooms
Jalan Tun Abang Haji Openg	
P.O. Box 260, 93704 Kuching	
Tel: 082-240281, 240286	Fax: 082-425400
City Inn	33 rooms
Lot 275-276, Abell Road	

P.O. Box 1947, 93100 Kuching  
Tel: 082-4148669

Rajah Court Hotel 98 rooms  
Kuching Bypass, Pending, 93450 Kuching  
Tel: 082-484799 Fax: 082-482750

Holiday Inn Kuching 305 rooms  
Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman  
P.O. Box 2362, 93100 Kuching  
Tel: 082-423111 Fax: 082-426169

Mayfair Hotel 52 rooms  
45-47, Jalan Palm  
P.O. Box 3205, 93762 Kuching  
Tel: 082-421486 / 419288 Fax: 082-413529

Liwah Hotel 93 rooms  
Lot 187, Section 47, P.O. Box 1041  
Jalan Song Thien Cheok, 93100 Kuching  
Tel: 082-429222 / 6  
Fax: 082-423690

Holiday Inn Damai 302 rooms  
Beach Resort  
P.O. Box 2870, 93756 Kuching  
Tel: 082-411777 / 411919  
Fax: 082-628911

Kuching Hilton 322 rooms  
Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman  
P.O. Box 2396, 93748 Kuching  
Tel: 082-248200 / 1 Fax: 082-428984

Riverside Majestic Hotel 253 rooms  
Jalan Tunku Abdul Rahman  
P.O. Box 2928, 93764 Kuching  
Tel: 082-248200 Fax: 082-428984

Longhouse Hotel 50 rooms  
101, Jalan Abell, 93101 Kuching  
Tel: 082-419333 Fax: 082-421563

Royal Mulu Resort 76 rooms  
C. D. T. 62, , 98007 Miri  
Tel: 085-421122 Fax: 085-421088

Telang Usan Hotel 66 rooms  
Jalan Ban Hock  
P.O. Box 1579, 93732 Kuching  
Tel: 082-415588 Fax: 082-425316

Santubong Inn 40 rooms  
Lot 383-386

Lorong 6 sec - 10 KPLD  
Jalan Nanas, 93400 Kuching  
Tel: 082-253848 Fax: 082-255584

Santubong (Kuching) Resort 380 rooms  
P.O. Box 2364, 93748 Kuching  
Tel: 082-23888 Fax: 082-23666

Righa Royal Hotel 200 rooms  
Jalan Temenggong, Datuk Dyong Lawai  
P.O. Box 1145, 98008 Miri  
Tel: 085-421121 Fax: 085-421099

Holiday Inn Miri 168 rooms  
Jalan Temenggong Dyong Lawai  
98008 Miri  
Tel: 085-418888 Fax: 085-419999

## How To Get There

Kuching is accessible by regular scheduled flights from Kuala Lumpur, Johor Bahru, Kota Kinabalu and Singapore.

## Travelling Within Sarawak:

Express boats are available to service the intricate network of rivers and the main towns along their banks.

Bus companies also operate regular services within the town centres and certain rural areas.

For further information, please contact:

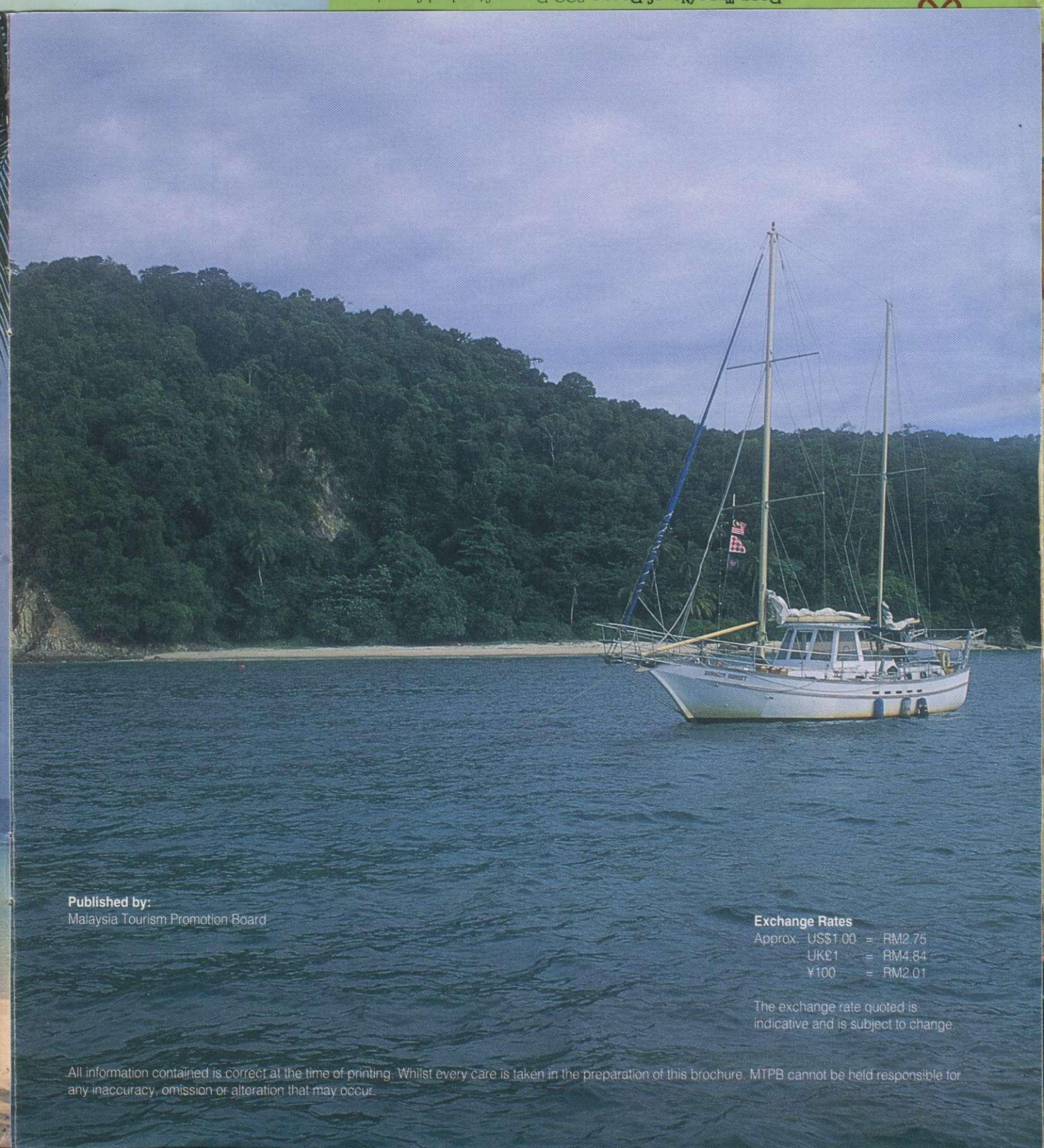
### MTPB (Regional Office)

Ground Floor, Aurora Chambers  
Jalan Tun Abang Haji Openg  
93000 Kuching, Sarawak  
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